"All the News That's Fit to Print."

The New York Times.

THE WEATHER
Cloudy, colder, rain early this morning; tomorrow, cloudy.
Temperature yesterday—Max. 39, min. 27.
For weather report see Page 25.

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EMPEROR YOSHIHITO DIES AS ALL JAPAN KEEPS VIGIL; HIROHITO ASSUMES THRONE

END COMES AT 1:25 A. M.

Ruler, at 47, Succumbs to Pneumonia After a Reign of 14 Years.

PRINCE AT ONCE INVESTED

Successor Is Proclaimed 123d of Line With Solemn Ritual and Takes Royal Symbols.

CORONATION LIKELY IN 1928

Mourning Period Intervenes—Monarch to Lie in State Month in Tokio.

EMPEROR YOSHIHITO OF JAPAN, who died of pneumonia early this morning.

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TOKIO, Dec. 25.—Emperor Yoshihito died at 1:25 o'clock this morning and the Prince Regent simultaneously assumed the throne as the 123d Emperor of the line, "unbroken for all eternity." Two hours later the death was officially announced in an extra edition of the official gazette.

Meantime the Regent formally assumed the throne in the presence of Premier Wakatsuki, the Minister of the Imperial Household, Kitokura Ichiki, and Count Makino, Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal.

The Regent and the Crown Princess were at the bedside, while other members of the imperial family were in adjoining rooms, when death came.

The Empress has won great admiration by her ceaseless vigil, refusing to leave her husband's bedside even to bathe or change her clothes.

The Emperor's death had been expected since morning, when the Imperial Princes and Princesses of the blood and all the high State officials were summoned to the villa after the Emperor had taken a turn for the worse.

His temperature continued to mount until midnight, when it was 41 degrees centigrade, and his respiration was 84. The official announcement, issued hourly, stated at midnight that the Emperor's breath was rattling in his throat and his pulse was too weak to count, but was above 160.

A bulletin at 1:15 A. M. asserted that the Emperor's condition was grave and the next bulletin announced his death.

Togo Leaves Sick Bed for Villa.

At Hayama yesterday were gathered all of the dignitaries of the empire. Admiral Count Togo left his own sickbed against the doctor's orders and walked unsteadily, his face pale and drawn, into the villa gate, an example of heroic devotion to the Emperor.

Hayama has been clothed in awful silence during the day, the falling rain adding to the dreariness of the atmosphere already gloomy with anxiety. None slept tonight, but the village is as silent as a tomb except for the occasional muffled hum of an automobile and the rustle of the leather equipment of the soldiers guarding the villa in pitch dark. The solemnity was intensified toward midnight when it was learned that the Emperor was dying and the news spread to Tokio, where the main shopping street, gay with decorations, its sidewalk booths filled with Christmas shoppers, was quiet and solemn instead of joyous as usual.

Yoshihito is the first Emperor whose death has been announced by radio, which broadcast half-hourly reports, keeping the public informed.

The new Emperor is returning to Tokio today to prepare to receive the body, which will be brought in a specially constructed funeral car at midnight to the Imperial Palace, there to lie in state for a month. Official mourning begins today, ending all holiday festivities.

Succession Is Immediate.

TOKIO, Saturday, Dec. 25 (AP).—Yoshihito, Japan's invalid Emperor, died in the early hours of this morning. Hirohito, his eldest son, who since July 30, 1912, had ruled the empire as Regent, immediately became Japan's 123d Emperor.

Yoshihito yielded his reign while surrounded by all of the members of his family except his second son, Prince Chichibu, who is hastening home from England. The efforts of his Majesty's many physicians, who attended him day and night, and the unceasing devoted attendance of Empress Sadako, many times warded off death in the Emperor's last days.

The ceremony of the ascension of Hirohito to imperial office took place in the main hall of the villa at Hayama in which his father had just succumbed to pneumonia after a critical illness of more than two weeks. Hirohito went almost directly from the deathbed of his father to the ceremonial which proclaimed him monarch. Japanese custom so decreed.

The devotion of his attendants and the prayers of the nation were given credit by the Japanese for the prolongation of the life of the sovereign, who since birth had suffered physical afflictions which ultimately affected his mentality.

He died at the age of 47, ending a reign of fourteen years, the last five of which were under the Regency of Crown Prince Hirohito.

Hirohito Receives Royal Emblems.

The ceremony by which Hirohito became invested with imperial office was

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DEAD REACH TWENTY IN SOUTHERN WRECK

Railroad Blames Engineer for Failure to Take Siding—He Dies of Hurts.

FROM 35 TO 100 ARE HURT

Federal Inquiry Will Be Made Into Collision of Crack Trains in Georgia.

Special to The New York Times.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 24.—The finding of further bodies in the shattered cars and the death of Robert M. Pearce, engineer of the Ponce de Leon special, which was in collision with the Royal Palm special, brought today to 20 the known dead, with the injured estimated at between 35 and 100, in the Southern Railway wreck last night at Rockmart, Ga.

The dead victims are:

PEARCE, ROBERT M., Rome, Ga., engineer of the Ponce de Leon.
MOSS, H. R., Atlanta, fireman of the Ponce de Leon.
BROWER, W. H., Atlanta, baggagemaster of the Ponce de Leon.
WHITTIKER, Mrs. J. W., Chattanooga, Tenn.
EVANS, LYNN BARKLEY, Jacksonville, Fla.
HARDY—An 8-year-old daughter and a 7-year-old son of Mrs. George Hardy, Miami, Fla.
WILLIAMS, GOLDIE, aged 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Williams, Detroit.
FROST, J. E., Chattanooga, Tenn.
DYNES, W. L., Atlanta, former President of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.
SMITH, Mrs. H. H., Macon, Ga., formerly of Cleveland, Tenn.
DOWNIE, R. J. Detroit.
HALE, Dr. P. T., aged 69, Professor of Evangelism of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.
WADE, Dr. G. C., Atlanta.
MOOTY, Mrs E. Z., Columbus, Ga.
Four negroes, dining-car employes—HORNE, R. O.; RICHARDSON, ROBERT; PALMER, WILLIAM, and HUGLEY, WILLIAM Chattanooga.
Unidentified woman.

Dead Engineer Blamed.

While the Southern Railway announced that the neglect of Pearce to take a siding was the cause of wrecking the two crack trains, the Coroner began an investigation in the circumstances surrounding the accident and word came from Washington that three Government officials, G. B. Lovely, Chief of the Bureau of Safety; B. S. Johnson and Inspector P. L. White, had been ordered from Washington to begin a Federal inquiry.

The Royal Palm was at a standstill, waiting for the first section of the Ponce de Leon to pass. The latter

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GOULD HEIRS AGREE; TRUSTEES TO REPAY ESTATE $20,000,000

Ten Years of Litigation Over Claims for $50,000,000 End in Compromise.

FAMILY DESIRES HARMONY

Children of G. J. Gould by His Second Marriage Included—Special Funds for Them.

COURTS' APPROVAL AWAITED

Extra Payments of $2,750,000 Each to Trust Funds of Frank Gould and Duchesse de Talleyrand.

Negotiations which began last June for settlement of the ten-year-old litigation over the $84,000,000 estate of the late Jay Gould have been ended, it was announced yesterday. Subject to the approval of the New York Supreme Court and the New Jersey Court of Chancery, the four trustees will pay about $20,000,000 to Frank Jay Gould, the Duchesse de Talleyrand and the grandchildren of the late Jay Gould. The settlement is based upon the decision of Referee James A. O'Gorman in November, 1925, holding that the trustees had violated the provisions of the will and were responsible for heavy losses by the estate.

Referee O'Gorman will hold a hearing to pass on the settlement at 2:30 P. M. on next Tuesday in the office of Taylor, Knowles & Hack of 165 Broadway, attorneys for the trustees. He will report his findings to Supreme Court Justice John M. Tierney, who appointed him referee.

The formal "stipulation for compromise," a 12,000-word legal document in which the terms of the settlement are set forth, is already before the referee for consideration.

$3,000,000 in Lawyers' Fees.

The fifty-five signatures alone take up five printed pages and resemble excerpts from the Social Register and from lawyers' and bankers' directories. Including the grandchildren there are about fifty parties to the litigation. Each has at least one lawyer and some have several. The minor grandchildren are represented by guardians ad litem and the guardians ad litem are represented by attorneys. Banks and trust companies holding the funds in question, as "substituted" trustees, are represented by lawyers. In the past ten years the lawyers for all the parties in the case, which is regarded as one of the longest and costliest on record, are said to have received about $3,000,000 in fees.

If the settlement is approved by the courts of both New York and New Jersey, as the lawyers who drew it up are confident it will be, it will end all the litigation over Jay Gould's estate, including that on behalf of the three children of the late George J. Gould by his second wife, once Guinevere Sinclair and now Lady Dunsford. George Gould was the eldest son of Jay Gould. Attorneys for the guardians ad litem of these three children joined in the stipulation.

Terms of Settlement.

Announcement of the settlement was made in the following statement by Taylor, Knowles & Hack, Leonard & Walker and Samuel S. Seabury, attorneys and counsel for Frank Jay Gould, and Sullivan & Cromwell, representing the children of the Duchesse de Talleyrand on behalf of themselves and other counsel in the case:

"All the parties interested in the accounting action of Gould against Gould, commenced in 1916, to secure an interpretation of the will of the late Jay Gould, and for an accounting by his executors and trustees, have agreed upon a settlement of the action, subject to the approval of the Court.

"Application has been made to the court to approve the proposed settlement, and has been referred by Mr. Justice Tierney to the Hon. James A. O'Gorman to report to the Court with his opinion as to the propriety and justice of the settlement.

"Generally speaking, the proposed settlement follows the lines laid down in the opinion of Judge O'Gorman in the accounting action. Under it the accounting trustees pay to the re-

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Plea of Austrian Chancellor Frees Man Who Tried to Assassinate Him in 1924

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VIENNA, Dec. 24.—On the initiative of Chancellor Seipel, Karl Jawurek, who almost succeeded in assassinating him in 1924, was included in the Christmas pardons which President Hainisch gave to seventeen prisoners today.

Jawurek, who had written to Mgr. Seipel expressing repentance and the hope that his life would long continue, had served half his sentence of five years of hard labor.

He shot Mgr. Seipel twice with a revolver, severely wounding him in the right lung. The crowd wanted to lynch the assailant, but Mgr. Seipel, with his lost energy, cried, "Don't hurt him."

Jawurek, who was an unemployed factory worker, pleaded economic misery as his motive.

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BUDAPEST, Dec. 24. — Admiral Horthy, the Regent of Hungary, pardoned seventy prisoners last night, including ten convicted for their part in the Communist régime, nine for plundering during the 1918 revolution and two for offenses against the press law.

He wished them all a Merry Christmas.

McDERMOTT GUILTY; JURORS URGE MERCY

Verdict of Murder in the First Degree Is Returned in the Mellett Case.

SENTENCE IS POSTPONED

Slain Editor's Family Hears the Jury Report—Two Others Await Early Trial.

CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 24 (AP).—Patrick Eugene McDermott was found guilty tonight of murder in the first degree for the death of Don R. Mellett, Canton publisher. The jury of ten men and two women returned their verdict, with a recommendation of mercy, after deliberating one hour.

The case was delivered into the hands of the jury just as dusk of Christmas Eve fell over the city where the crusader-editor a few months ago launched his attack on the underworld and its alleged police protection. From the time Mellett was shot down at his garage door in a fusillade of shots discharged from ambush, early on the morning of July 16, there has been one predominant theory—that he was slain by the underworld.

McDermott, the State charged, was the hireling picked to "do the job."

When the verdict was read in the court of Judge E. W. Diehl, McDermott appeared composed, although the sealed envelope might have sent him to the electric chair.

Defense counsel announced that they would appeal the case. They had testimony read into the record out of the jury's hearing for the stated purpose of appealing the case on error if the verdict were unsatisfactory.

Sentence was deferred by Judge Diehl "until after Christmas." The prosecution of Ben Rudner and Louis Mazer, co-defendants with McDermott, will be in the hands of Henry W. Harter, County Prosecutor-elect, who assisted Prosecutor C. B. McClintock in the trial of McDermott. Prosecution of Rudner and Mazer will be pushed and one of them probably will be put on trial in February, Mr. Harter announced.

Defense Accuses State Witness.

In final arguments to the jury, State and defense counsel repeated and denied the charges that Rudner employed McDermott to help Mazer to kill the editor.

Prosecutor McClintock declared that "all the murderers have not been found," and Homer Durand, a defense attorney, retaliated with a statement that Steve Kascholk, State's star witness, who swore that he was invited to join the alleged plot, would be arrested within six months and charged with the murder of Mellett.

The trial of two weeks reached its climax yesterday when McDermott took the stand, made a flat denial of the charges brought against him and accused Kascholk of the crime.

E. L. Mills, chief counsel for McDermott, contended in his argument to the jury the State had offered no convincing evidence of conspiracy and added:

"Even if everything the State has tried to prove were true, McDermott would still be innocent." Mr. Mills told the jury that it would be a sad Christmas in the Mellett home, but that "must not sway you and cause you to send this boy to the electric chair on a day when the spirit of love is abroad in the world—on Christmas Day."

Slain Man's Family in Court.

All day long Mrs. Florence H. Mellett, widow of the publisher, and her four children, the eldest of whom is eleven, sat in the court room. When Mr. Mills spoke of Christmas and then painted a picture of the death chamber in the Ohio Penitentiary, Mrs. Mellett wept.

"Don Mellett would have given his family a happy Christmas," Prosecutor McClintock said, and the pointed his finger into McDermott's flushed face, and added, "but you murdered him."

Mr. Harter in his summation declared Ben Rudner to be a "smart Aleck wolf." Louis Mazer a "slinking fox," and McDermott "the jackal who did the dirty work for the wolf." He pointed to Mazer and McDermott as "the two who fired the shots" and to Rudner as the third conspirator behind them.

The Court charged the jury that it could return any one of four verdicts: no guilty, guilty of murder in the first degree, with or without recommendation of mercy; murder in the second degree, or manslaughter. He said the existence of a conspiracy should be considered only in so far as it bore on McDermott's guilt, but that if the jury found he was an aider and abettor he was as guilty before the law as if he were present and took part in the murder.

A meal for the masculine appetite. Full-flavored, full-bodied baked Deerfoot Farm Sausages, with griddle cakes. Delicious!—Advt.

CITY READY TO FIGHT ON BUS FRANCHISES

Expects Companies to Resist Awards on Ground Routes Are Competitive.

PLAN LEGISLATIVE BATTLE

Officials Will Push Issue to the Limit to Obtain Certificates of Necessity.

The City Administration is prepared to resist expected attempts by transit companies to prevent the award of bus franchises on the ground that some of the routes proposed by the Board of Transportation will compete with existing surface and bus lines, it was learned yesterday. The award of the franchises, which was practically agreed upon at a conference of the members of the Board of Estimate and other city officials on Wednesday, is expected by the Administration to be only the beginning of a struggle before the Transit Commission, in the Legislature and in the courts.

The Third Avenue Railway Company, it was learned definitely, will be the only transit company to receive a bus franchise, according to the tentative agreement reached by the Board of Estimate. The Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Corporation, which applied through a subsidiary for the franchise in Brooklyn, and the Fifth Avenue Coach Company-New York Railways Corporation combination, which sought routes in Manhattan to round out the bus system of the coach company, have been left out.

Opposition to the award of the franchises is expected by the city authorities from both the B. M. T. and the Fifth Avenue Coach-New York Railways combination, officials of which have indicated that they intended to take such action if the bus franchises went to other applicants.

To Fight Necessity Awards.

The first move by these companies is expected to be opposition to the granting by the Transit Commission of certificates of convenience and necessity to the companies in Manhattan and Brooklyn to whom the Board of Estimate will award franchises, probably before Jan. 15. According to information received by city officials, the companies will oppose the award of these franchises to any other than themselves on the ground that the bus routes, as laid out, are competitive and serve no necessity. If the city wins its contention that the routes are necessary, then the companies are expected to appeal to the courts. If the companies win and the Transit Commission refuses to grant the certificates for the routes, or any of them, the city will not only appeal to the courts but will seek relief from the Legislature.

The plan to appeal to the Legislature is the more important from the viewpoint of the City Administration, for it will involve an attempt to repeal the statute requiring the granting of a certificate of convenience and necessity by a State body to make the award of a franchise by a city authority effective. The certificate is considered the very keystone of railroad law in this State and it is certain that any attempt to repeal the statute establishing it will encounter strong opposition, not only from the surface and rapid transit railroads directly affected but probably from the steam railroads in this State, officials of which, it was said, would not like to risk its elimination in the case of surface and rapid transit railroads because of the precedent which would be established, even though it did not affect the steam railroads directly.

To gain support for what otherwise would seem to be an almost hopeless movement, members of the City Administration, it was learned, have sought the support of officials of cities up-State, and to have gained some assurances of support. The transit situation in many of the up-State cities resembles in some degree the situation here, it was said, particularly in so far as the establishment of bus routes is concerned. The situation in some of the cities is almost exactly the same in respect to the objection of existing transit companies, practically all surface lines, to the establishment of new bus lines which would compete with them.

The matter has been discussed, it was learned, by members of the New York State Conference of Mayors and Mayor Walker has been told that he will receive up-State support in any attempt to eliminate the legal requirement for the issue of certificates of convenience and necessity by a State body, such as the Transit Commission or Public Service Commission, and to give each city in the State complete "home rule" in transit matters, including the establishment of new bus routes.

May Take Fight to Court.

If the Legislature refuses to amend the law, either by eliminating the certificate or by vesting the power to issue it in a city body, New York City will fight out the matter in the courts, it was said. The view held by legal advisers of the City Administration is that the law empowering a State body, such as the Transit Commission in New York City and the Public Ser-

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When you think of Writing Think of Whiting. —Advt.

AMERICAN MARINES LAND AT CAPITAL OF NICARAGUA REBELS

Liberal Government Charges It Was Ordered to Get Out Today or Be Disarmed.

BUT THIS IS NOT CONFIRMED

Washington Says Orders Are Only to Protect Our Nationals and Their Property.

BORAH SEES AN OIL PLOT

He Intimates That Intervention Is Sought to Force a War With Mexico.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—American marines were landed today at Puerto Cabezas, the capital of Nicaraguan Liberal forces and according to Dr. T. B. Vaca, representative of Dr. Sacasa, the Liberal contender for the Presidency of that country, served notice that the Liberals must evacuate the city or be disarmed.

Word of any such orders was lacking in American official courses tonight.

The Navy Department received word of the landing, but it asserted that the instructions to the forces of Rear Admiral Latimer were merely to protect American lives and property.

Gives Out Text of Telegram.

Dr. Vaca based his statement on the following telegram from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Liberal Government at Puerto Cabezas:

"Warships Cleveland and Denver violently landed here today regular American marine forces and searched the Executive residence and notified President Sacasa that tomorrow at 4 o'clock Puerto Cabezas will be declared a neutral zone, and that President Sacasa, his Cabinet and army must leave the place or else be disarmed by the American forces occupying the city.

"The abuse of force against a small and weak country, but dignified among the nations of the world, has been displayed in the occupation without motive or justification, because in no way is American property in danger.

"This act constitutes an offense against the American Continent, as Dr. Sacasa is exercising the constitutional Presidency in accordance with the international pacts. Nothing justifies such a procedure that seriously threatens the future of Central America."

Third American Landing.

The occupation constitutes the third to be made by American forces on Nicaraguan soil since the present revolutionary troubles developed in the contest between President Diaz, who has been recognized by the United States, and Dr. Sacasa, who contends that he is the legally elected President of the republic.

All these landings have been on the east coast, where the Liberals are in force. The first was at Bluefields, where marines established a neutral zone; the second was sixty miles to the north, where bluejackets established control, and the third was that made today still further to the north. All have been made, according to official statements, for the express purpose of safeguarding Americans in life and property.

It has been charged by President Diaz and others that the Sacasa movement has gained force from arms and munitions obtained from Mexican sources and President Diaz this week issued an appeal from his capital at Managua for American intervention by active means to aid him in maintaining his position.

Borah Sees Oil Intrigue.

A strong intimation that oil interests are endeavoring to have this country intervene in the Nicaraguan situation, with the result that the United States might be embroiled in a war with Mexico, was contained in a statement issued today by Senator Borah, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee. Charging that an effort is being made to force a "shameless, cowardly little war with Mexico," through intervention in Nicaragua, Mr. Borah said:

"I think that the oil people are entitled to have their property interests looked after and protected in every reasonable way. But the most unrea-

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COOLIDGE IN A PEACE TALK DEFENDS CRUISER PROGRAM; SAYS IT AIDS DISARMAMENT

City's Christmas to Be Rainy; Colder Weather Is Due Today

There is every probability that Christmas Day in this city will be damp, in fact quite wet. That is as regards the weather. At midnight the skies were clear, but the local Weather Bureau announced earlier in the evening that today would be cloudy and somewhat colder, with rain in the early morning. The rain should be over before noon, however, the forecaster said, and the temperature would not drop much below the freezing point. Sunday will probably be colder.

Last Christmas Day was cloudy and cold also, but it did not rain. The highest temperature here yesterday was 39 degrees. The same high was recorded last Christmas Day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The weather man tonight held out no hope of a traditional "white" Christmas for Eastern United States. Rain for most of the section, or at least cloudy weather, was his prediction. Colder temperatures in the Ohio Valley, lower lake region, Middle Atlantic States, East Gulf section and in the interior of the South Atlantic States also were forecast.

DENIES WE ARE COMPETING

Vessels Are Authorized to Round Out Establishment, He Says.

MAY NOT HAVE TO BE BUILT

President Hears That Reduction Sentiment Gains Abroad, and He Hopes for a Conference.

EBERLE'S ADVICE REVEALED

A House Report Shows He Favored Construction—Lord Attacked on Budget Cuts.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—In what might be interpreted as his Christmas message to the world, President Coolidge let it be known informally today that the program to increase the American navy by "authorizing ten additional 10,000-ton cruisers" was only intended to round out the navy, and that it was not the purpose to stir competitive naval building."

This assertion came from the White House spokesman after it was explained that the initiative for the construction of the ten new cruisers came from the House Naval Affairs Committee, and did not originate with the Administration, as was the impression gained after the President had discussed the situation last week.

It was strongly emphasized today that the "authorization" of the cruisers would be in pursuance of a policy of "rounding out" the navy to make it a really efficient fighting force, adequate to the nation's needs in the event of any emergency.

Such a policy should always be followed by the United States, the President held, and it was said this did not conflict with the Washington Treaty on limitation of naval armaments.

A study of the treaty, the President holds, makes it quite clear there is no conflict. There is no occasion for other countries looking upon the Butler Cruiser bill as an inspiration for naval building, he believes, since the American Government is only doing what it considers necessary to provide a fleet adequate to its own needs, irrespective of what other nations may do in naval increase.

Aids Move for Arms Cuts.

It also became known today that the demand for new American cruisers has caused foreign powers to look with more favor upon a conference for further limitation of armaments.

Should this materialize, President Coolidge would be pleased, as he feels that reduction of armaments, either through a conference under the auspices of the League of Nations or a conference here to deal with matters left open by the Washington Conference, would reduce tax burdens the world over and enable Europe the more quickly to establish herself on a better economic basis.

The authorization of the ten additional cruisers does not mean that the United States will finally add these fighting craft to its navy, it was pointed out at the White House today.

President Coolidge is hopeful that before any actual work is started there will be an arms conference, which might make expenditures for most of the prospective cruisers unnecessary.

The President, in discussing the cruiser program with callers today, frequently indicated that they bore no relation to what other powers are doing, and expressed a hope that there would be no competitive building as the result of American policy.

The President understands that the proposed "authorization" would take the place of the three cruisers already authorized in 1924, for which no appropriation has been made. He understands that the policy of the Navy Department, perhaps of the Congressional naval committee, is to abandon the 1924 trio under construction, and the net addition in cruisers over the original 1924 program thus would really only be seven.

House Committee Responsible.

In this connection the President gave full credit to the House Naval Affairs Committee for initiating the new program. He let it be known that some misconception had arisen as to the responsibility of the new program, and it was explained that the House Naval Affairs Committee deserved full credit for it. Members of the committee had sought an interview with him, following the reading of his message, and this conference led to the agreement on the Butler bill to authorize the cruisers.

Through the expenditure of approximately $450,000,000 for cruisers, submarines and one aircraft carrier, the American Navy could be established on a basis where it would compare favorably with the navies of Great Britain and Japan, in the light of the 5-5-3 ratio contemplated by the Washington Treaty, according to information just transmitted to the House Naval Committee by Admiral Edward W. Eberle, chief of naval operations.

Since the Washington conference Great Britain and Japan have been steadily strengthening their cruiser and submarine arms, and for this rea-

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT PERVADES THE CITY

Gifts Bring Cheer to Children in Hospitals and to Poor Who Lack Holiday Fare.

BOUNTIFUL FETES ARE HELD

Many Business Organizations Join in Celebrations—More Will Come Today.

Christmas celebration by a city aglow with the holiday spirit began yesterday, hearty and widespread, and will be continued today, with agencies searching out the dark corners to make certain that no one is overlooked. Even the misty rain, with its threat to remain today, failed to dim the Christmas joyousness.

In offices high in skyscrapers, in the jails, in the hospitals, over on Ellis Island, in the streets where carols were sung, and last night amid burning tapers in the churches, the world's day of happiness was celebrated. Around midnight, a mysterious radio message was picked up. It purported to have been sent by Santa Claus from a special transmitting set as he sped high over Manhattan. It said that not a stocking would be overlooked this year.

Fighting the great rush of mail that flowed in at the last minute, clerks in the postoffices were keeping well up with their efforts to get every present to its addressee on time. In the railroad stations throngs were piling into extra sections for the trip back home, while thousands were arriving to celebrate the day in this city.

Wreck Delays Holiday Travelers.

Because of a wreck at Garrison, N. Y., trains bearing holiday-makers over the New York Central were delayed in arriving. This led to some confusion in the Grand Central Terminal, where thousands waited for the tardy trains. At Pennsylvania Station the Christmas traffic was heavy, but Stationmaster William H. Egan said that it was not as great as the annual Labor Day or Fourth of July rush. Mr. Egan pointed out that the holiday traffic was distributed over an entire week and thus there was no sudden rush to tax the roads' facilities. All trains on the Pennsylvania and the Lehigh Valley roads were filled. Crowds poured through the station all day and evening.

One of the first of the big distribu-

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Repairs Hold Pan-American Fliers in Tampico; Officers Go to Mexico City for Festivities

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TAMPICO, Mexico, Dec. 24.—Continuation of the Pan-American flight of the United States Army aviators has been deferred until a new engine arrives from the United States. The engine of the St. Louis has been found to be completely burned out because of a broken oil pump and is now being taken down.

A slight leak has been found in the hull of the Detroit, which was forced to land in the river Thursday, but the aviators do not believe this will cause delay. The planes will be compelled to remain here for six or seven days. Then they will hop off for Vera Cruz, where the San Francisco arrived yesterday.

Major Dargue, Flight Commander, accompanied by the other oficers, has gone to Mexico City, where he will present a letter from President Coolidge to President Calles, returning to Tampico when the repairs to the planes are completed.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24 (AP).—Failure of the Pan-American fliers to make their scheduled arrival in Mexico City today caused much disappointment in the American colony here. A welcoming dinner had been planned at the American Club tonight, at which Ambassador Sheffield was to be present. Ambassador Sheffield plans to entertain the aviators at Christmas dinner and also will give a dance at the embassy in their honor Monday night. Other American officials also are arranging entertainments.

Arrangements for the delivery of the good-will letter which the fliers are bringing from President Coolidge to President Calles will be made after they arrive.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—A message received by the War Department today from Major H. A. Dargue, commanding the Pan-American flight, said a motor of the St. Louis was burned out yesterday and that the flight would be delayed until a new motor was obtained from Duncan Field at San Antonio.

The delay is not expected to be long as the motor can be sent from San Antonio quickly. Provision for engine trouble has been made by the army along the route by placing engines and spare parts at convenient base points. From Vera Cruz all five planes will proceed to Central American points and Panama to complete the first leg of the flight.

Upsala Dean Suppresses First Alumni Bulletin; Rips Up Copy After Reading Unsigned Attacks

Special to The New York Times.

EAST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 24.—The first issue of the newly established Upsala College Alumni Bulletin, which was to have appeared today, did not come out because the issue was suppressed and the material destroyed even before it got to the printer. It was suppressed by Dean Franz Ericsson, who also is President of the Alumni Association, because the number contained criticism by unnamed alumni of the athletic coach, the college athletic policy and the college's student publication, The Upsala Gazette.

The editor of the Bulletin is Morton Nilssen, a graduate of last June and present bursar of the college. When the copy was all prepared it was laid before Dean Ericson, as head of the alumni, for his approval. Dean Ericsson read it over and then indignantly tore it into bits.

"The copy contained criticism of individuals within the college organization which in my opinion was unjustified," said Dean Ericsson today "and if such criticism was justified, the Alumni Association, through its constituted authorities, should make its criticism directly to the individuals concerned or to the Board of Trustees before bringing it before the public by this means. As far as I know, no effort was made to do this."

Dean Ericsson added that in suppressing the Bulletin he was acting as much in his capacity of Dean as in that of head of the alumni.

The criticism of the coach, "Chief" Claude Newberry, an Indian, was directed at the fact that his team had been unsuccessful. The athletic authorities were similarly criticized. Coach Newberry replied today that since the graduate manager of athletics, Arthur Johnson, made up the schedules and matched his team, chosen from such scanty material that sometimes there was not a single substitute, with teams from far larger institutions, he could not see why he was criticized for losing games.

The Bulletin attacked the student publication, of which the Bulletin editor was editor last year, on the ground that it was more suited to a high school than a college.

son officials here are anxious that there shall be similar additions for the American establishment.

Admiral Eberle's Views.

Admiral Eberle's statement that twenty-one additional cruisers, costing $15,000,000 each, and the expenditure of $110,000,000 for submarines would put us on a 5-3 ratio with Japan, and more on a parity with Great Britain, was contained in the printed report of his confidential testimony, just corrected by the Admiral, given before the House committee hearings on Dec. 13 and made public for the first time today.

The Admiral did not go so far as to recommend that these appropriations be made at once. He gave it as his opinion that money could be spent to better advantage now for the modernization of the battleships Oklahoma and Nevada. Then, he said, the question of building cruisers should be taken up, and finally submarine construction should be authorized. Admiral Eberle testified that it would cost $13,000,000 to recondition the Oklahoma and Nevada.

The Admiral told the committee he favored a progressive naval building policy, but it was for Congress and the President to determine what sums should be expended in this manner.

Reference was made by committee members to the failure of the budget to make provision for three of the cruisers "authorized" by Congress in 1924. Comment had previously been made by committee members that such estimates had never reached Congress, although submitted to General Lord, Director of the Budget, by Secretary Wilbur.

Admiral Eberle refused to be drawn into a controversy on this subject. He admitted that General Lord had a good deal to say about expenditures for the Navy Department, but refused to venture an opinion when asked by Representative Britten of Illinois if he was ready to say "the Director of the Budget is a more important guardian of the national defense than the War and Navy Departments combined."

The Admiral said the estimates for the three cruisers and dirigible construction had gone to General Lord's office, but did not appear in the budget. He did not know who kept them out, he said.

Criticism of General Lord.

Representative Britten said he had been informed by a member of the Cabinet that General Lord had "used very undue and improper leverage to squeeze down appropriations for the various departments," and that this Cabinet member thought it was time Congress went ahead with a defense program regardless of the wishes of the Budget Director.

He asked if Admiral Eberle could say "how much pressure, if any, he has brought to bear, or is bringing to bear on you."

The witness replied that he personally knew of no influence that General Lord had brought to bear to prevent the construction of the three cruisers.

Assistant Secretary Robinson, who was present, said he had heard that such influence had been invoked by General Lord, but he had no personal knowledge that the reports were true. This colloquy then ensued:

Mr. Britten—Do you, as Chief of Naval Operations of the navy, having in mind the supreme importance of national defense, know any reason in the world why those three vessels should not go ahead in accordance with the authorization and a plan and policy adopted by the Government in 1924?

Admiral Eberle—I only know the policy as outlined in the President's message that he wants to hold up the building of these three vessels on account of the arms conference.

Mr. Britten—Have you any confidence in the ultimate successful termination of the arms conference, wherein nations who do not even possess a rowboat sit in with our representatives to discuss limitation of naval armament?

Admiral Eberle—I would not like to venture an opinion.

Admiral Eberle stated flatly that he would like to see the three 1924 cruisers started, in accordance with the authorization.

"Do you think it is the least we can do to promote the national insurance?" he was asked by Mr. Britten.

"Yes," Admiral Eberle answered, "not only for the national defense, but I feel very strongly that something should be done to keep the shipbuilding establishments going and to keep the skilled labor intact. I feel that well-organized and well-equipped shipbuilding plants are just as much a part of the national defense, or almost as much, as the ships they build, because we must rely upon them in emergency to increase our supply of ships and also to do the extensive repairs and alterations necessary.

"Unless we have skilled labor and keep it together we will not turn out ships rapidly nor turn out good ships. There is, as you know, an art in shipbuilding."

WEIGH TAKING PART IN ECONOMIC MEET

Washington Officials Divided on Sending Delegates to Conference in Europe.

NOTIFIED OF INVITATION

Commerce, Industry, Agriculture on Agenda of Meeting Under League of Nations Aegis.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Official notification was received at the State Department today that the United States had been formally invited to send delegates to the International Economic Conference to be held in Europe in May under the auspices of the League of Nations. As to whether the invitation would be accepted officials were silent.

The notification came in a message from Theodore Malloney, Chargé d'Affaires at Berne, who received the invitation from the Secretariat of the League of Nations and is forwarding it by mail. Until its text is received, the State Department made clear that it would not be in a position to discuss the matter.

Notwithstanding the reticence of officials, however, considerable study has been given in a preliminary way to the proposed conference since it became known that the United States would be invited to participate through unofficial delegates and some of the outstanding considerations that must be weighed in reaching a decision have been developed. Although many factors are yet to be considered, there has become apparent a feeling in high official circles that it would perhaps be unwise for the United States to enter, even through unofficial spokesmen, a conference in Europe that might throw open to discussion such questions as the American customs tariff, immigration restriction and possibly modification or even cancellation of the war debts.

On the other hand, there is the belief of some officials that the United States might well accept the invitation in order that its position on such questions might be set forth by its own citizens and it might not be subjected to unanswered criticism.

Decisions Not Binding.

Nations that are members of the League of Nations and others that occupy a position of importance in the economic world are being invited to send delegates, who shall in no sense be plenipotentiaries nor as such have binding force upon their Governments, nor are the delegates to be spokesmen of official policy, although it is proposed that their expenses be paid by their Governments.

The agenda touch more than a score of questions, all in the economic field, but drawn so broadly, in the expert opinion of diplomats here, that an almost unlimited field for discussion is presented. Moreover, in seeking to reach a decision as to the course of the United States, officials are understood to agree with the views of the most competent of economist-diplomats, that an international economic conference presents political questions until it meets, and that even after it has begun its deliberations the political element is not completely absent.

Subjects listed for consideration include broadly the world economic position, and then more particularly problems of commerce, industry and agriculture, including liberty of trading, customs tariffs and commercial treaties, indirect methods of protecting national commerce and shipping, international industrial agreements and possibilities of international action for the world-wide improvement of agriculture.

Unlike the financial conference held under League auspices at Brussels in 1920, when the United States was represented unofficially by Roland W. Boyden, its observer with the Reparations Commission, it is not the intention to take up financial questions primarily, but only indirectly as affecting the economic situation.

Question of War Debts.

The war debts are not mentioned and, in the opinion of many, will not be taken up at the conferences, although it is contended by some that under the broad program presented some reference to them is possible. The power to deal with that subject, so far as the United States is concerned, it is held here, is vested by law in Congress, while a disinclination to consider the question of modification or cancellation at this time was only recently clearly indicated at the White House, and at the Treasury in reactions to the proposal of the forty-two members of the Faculty of Political Science of Columbia University for a conference to deal with the war debts.

The position of the United States Government on modification of the American customs tariff was even more clearly shown when the manifesto was issued in London on behalf of international bankers, urging a removal of certain trade barriers in the interest of improved business and economic conditions in Europe.

If the manifesto was intended to apply to the American tariff, a cold shoulder was given that phase of it by American officials, although the view was indicated that a removal of the many trade walls in Europe might assist materially the economic recovery of that Continent. As for its immigration restrictions, the United States has made it definitely known that this is a subject for it alone to deal with.

Three Americans, David F. Houston, who was Secretary of Agriculture and then of the Treasury in the Wilson Administration; Allyn Abbott Young, Professor of Economics at Harvard, and Arthur Gilbert, Commissioner of Agriculture for Massachusetts, were members of the preparatory committee of the conference by invitation of the Council of the League, upon whose report final action was taken for the calling of the coming conference. They attended as individuals and did not consult their Government for instructions, but at the sessions stressed the need for the economic recovery of Europe as a means not only to the prosperity of Europe but also the United States.

Favored by Federal Chamber.

Officials of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States favor the conference to which the United States Government has now been invited. In addition to the delegates of the several countries, there will be in attendance, under present plans, representatives of the International Chamber of Commerce, the International Labor Office and the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome.

The conference was authorized by resolution of the Council of the League in September, 1925, upon the proposal of France, which moved in the expressed desire to see removed, as far as possible, the economic causes of war, and the unsatisfactory economic situation of Europe ameliorated as far as possible.

The preparatory committee of thirty-five persons of twenty-one nationalities in its report submitting an agenda said:

"Some of the difficulties which are referred to in the agenda are to a peculiar extent difficulties, in the first instance, of Europe. The committee presumes, therefore, that attention will be given in discussing such questions to the special features in the European situation. The most important questions on the agenda are, however, clearly of world importance."

Under the committee report each State is to send members up to a maximum of five, with staffs of experts, but decisions are to be reached only by resolutions signed by those members favoring them. It was emphasized that the purpose is only "general consultation," without "any immediate necessity to transform the conclusions of the conference into international engagements."

Whether the conference will be held at Geneva is understood to hinge somewhat on the decision of Soviet Russia, which has been averse to going upon Swiss soil since the assassination of representatives of that country at the Lausanne Conference. May 4 next is suggested as the date of the meeting.

The agenda has not been officially received at the State Department, but, as received in other circles in Washington, follows:

AGENDA OF THE CONFERENCE.

First Part—The World Economic Position.

Principal features and problems as seen from the point of different countries.

Analysis of economic causes of the present disturbed equilibrium in commerce and industry.

Economic tendencies capable of affecting the peace of the world.

Second Part—I.—Commerce.

(1)—Liberty of trading.

(a)—Import and export prohibitions and restrictions.

(b)—Limitation, regulation or monopolization of trade.

(c)—Economic and fiscal treatment of nationals and companies of one country admitted to settle in the territory of another.

(2)—Customs tariffs and commercial treaties.

Obstacles to international trade arising from—

(a)—Form, level and instability of import and export tariffs.

(b)—Customs nomenclature and classification.

(3)—Indirect methods of protecting national commerce and shipping.

(a)—Subsidies, direct or indirect.

(b)—Dumping and anti-dumping legislation.

(c)—Discrimination arising from the conditions of transport.

(d)—Fiscal measures discriminating against foreign imported goods.

(4)—Repercussion upon international commerce of reduced purchasing power.

II.—Industry.

(1)—Situation of principal industries, productive capacity, output, consumption and employment.

(2)—Nature of present difficulties in industry; their industrial, commercial and monetary causes.

(3)—Possibilities of action.

(a)—Organization of production, including in particular international industrial agreements; considered from the point of view of production, of the consumer and of labor; their legal position; their connection with customs problems.

(b)—Importance of collection and prompt exchange of statistical information with regard to industrial production.

III.—Agriculture.

(1)—The present position of agriculture compared with pre-war conditions in respect of production, consumption, stocks, prices and free circulation of agricultural products.

(2)—Causes of present difficulties.

(3)—Possibilities of international action.

(a)—Development of an international collaboration between producers' and consumers' organizations, including the different systems of co-operative organization.

(b)—Continuous exchange of all relevant information concerning agricultural conditions, scientific and technical research, agricultural credit, &c.

(c)—Development of the purchasing power of agricultural producers.

Filipino Leaders Dislike Thompson Report; Deny Majority Do Not Want Independence

MANILA, Dec. 24 (AP).—The reaction in the Philippines to the report of Colonel Carmi Thompson, special investigator for President Coolidge, appears on the whole to be one of indifference.

The recommendation of postponing independence met with vigorous disapproval from several Filipino leaders, especially Senator Sergio Osmeña and Senator Manuel Quezon, President of the Insular Senate.

Senator Osmeña thinks that the reasons given by Colonel Thompson are unsound and that he erred when he said that only a small minority of Filipinos want independence.

Quezon was of the same opinion, saying: "He [Thompson] committed a very grave error and injustice in affirming that a majority of Filipinos were not for absolute, immediate independence."

That part of the report referring to friction between Governor General Wood and Filipino leaders was concurred in by Senator Osmeña to the extent that "it is the most significant statement made by the President's investigator."

Mr. Osmeña believes Mr. Thompson's findings may ultimately re-establish cooperation between the Chief Executive and Filipino leaders, and "if such cooperation is accomplished, it will constitute the best contribution of Colonel Thompson to the course of Filipino progress, which misunderstanding has served to retard. The time has come when the present situation must be remedied."

In a formal statement to The Associated Press Mr. Quezon said in part: "Having in mind that Colonel Thompson is an orthodox Republican, delegate to the last Republican National Convention which adopted the latest Republican platform on the Philippines, what he said about independence was to be expected.

"He committed a very grave error and injustice in affirming that a majority of Filipinos were not for absolute, immediate independence. There is one easy way of settling this matter. The President has now before him a plebiscite bill vetoed by Wood.

"What Colonel Thompson says in regard to administrative affairs is not very gratifying to the military occupants of Malacanan Palace (headquarters of Governor General Wood).

"We have at least gained one point with the visit of Colonel Thompson, and the reign of the sword over the people of the Philippines is doomed.

"I am pleased to see he leaves to the Legislature the question of the wisdom of amending our land laws. This is as it should be. It is a recognition that the public domain of the Philippines belongs to the Filipino people, to be disposed of by them, and a rebuke to those who shamelessly assert that the public domain of the islands should be exploited in the interest of big business."

4 DISHES BROKEN IN 8 YEARS

White House Sets Record in Case of Presidential Banquet Set.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—White House mistresses have been setting a pace for the housekeepers of the country, only four dishes of the official Presidential banquet set having been broken since 1918.

This record of kitchen economy was disclosed today in a report of stewards of the White House advising the State Department regarding the style of china for the new American Embassy at London.

The set used at dinners of state is rimmed with a band of gold stars and is embossed in the middle with the official seal of the United States. The plates cost $60 a dozen and the White House keeps eight dozen of each group of dishes on hand.

REPUBLICANS TO ASK COL. SMITH'S ENTRY

Conference Plans Gesture of Unanimous Consent, With No Hope of Success.

SENATORS TO VOTE AT WILL

More Members Inclined to Doubt Right to Exclude Illinois Man Without Hearing.

By RICHARD V. OULAHAN.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—As a result of a conference held at the Capitol today by a group of leading Republican regular Senators a program for procedure when Frank L. Smith presents the credentials of his appointment as a Senator from Illinois was adopted. It was agreed that each Republican Senator should be free to follow his own course with reference to the admission of Colonel Smith, but unanimous consent of the Senate would be asked to permit him to take the oath of office and hold his seat, pending a report from the Committee on Privileges and Elections on the charge of moral unfitness that will be made against him.

Democratic Senators have adopted the same procedure with reference to leaving it discretionary with each member of that party as to how he shall vote when Colonel Smith presents the certificate of his appointment.

As twenty-one Republican Senators are already virtually pledged to vote against permitting Colonel Smith to take the oath of office, pending an investigation of the accusations affecting the source and amount of money used in the party primary campaign in which he won the Republican Senatorial nomination over the late Senator William B. McKinley, it is apparent that the chances of his admission are precarious.

No Chance of Unanimous Consent.

There is no expectation that the request for unanimous consent to seat Colonel Smith will prevail. One objection would vitiate the request, and it is taken for granted that a considerable number of Senators stand ready to object. The leading Republicans who conferred today felt, however, that their side should make a gesture of giving the Senate the opportunity to concede the contention that the proper course was to admit Colonel Smith on the basis of his appointment and investigate afterward.

In spite of the notice served on Colonel Smith that those regular Republican Senators who might be regarded as his friends would vote against his admission if he persisted in presenting Governor Small's certificate of appointment, there is evidence of some change of opinion in Senatorial circles concerning the right and duty of the Senate in the circumstances.

While nothing has appeared to indicate that Colonel Smith has any chance of holding a seat while the proposed investigation is in progress, it is of possible significance that Democratic Senators are engaged in private argument over Colonel Smith's constitutional status and the restrictions which the Constitution imposes upon members of the Senate with reference to the admission of a Senator-designate or Senator-elect who is armed with proper credentials.

Some Democratic Senators have changed their minds or admit that they are in doubt as to what their course should be. When the matter of Colonel Smith's appointment brought the question of his moral fitness to a head, there was a widespread inclination among Senators to vote against him. This feeling was shared by Republican regulars as well as Democrats and the Republican insurgent group.

A Constitutional Problem.

A revision of that inclination is evident now. It is due chiefly, if not entirely, to study of the authority conferred by the Constitution on the Senate with respect to the qualifications of its own members. The current problem that is troubling Democrats, as well as Republicans, concerns the contention that, while the Senate has the right to expel a member, it has no right to exclude a Senator-designate nor a Senator-elect who presents proper credentials of appointment or election. To what extent this contention has made an impression is problematical, but it appears that some Democratic Senators are inclined to feel that Colonel Smith is entitled to a seat pending an investigation by the Committee on Privileges and Elections as to his moral fitness for holding it.

An interesting sidelight on this situation is that, while only a majority of votes would be necessary to prevent Colonel Smith from taking the oath of office, once seated he cannot be removed except by a two-thirds vote.

Republican regular Senators are still angry with Colonel Smith for forcing, at this time, the issue in his case and that of Senator-elect William S. Vare of Pennsylvania through announcing that he intends to present the credentials of his appointment when Congress convenes after the Christmas holidays. He did this in the face of their advice to postpone the effort to be seated until the next Congress, when he will be armed with a certificate certifying that he was elected for the full term of six years in the election of Nov. 2.

Spectre of Newberry Case.

They hold that he is selfish and stubborn and that his decision will be a source of great embarrassment to the Republican side of the Senate Chamber and probably will determine long in advance of the first session of the next Congress that both Smith and Vare shall be excluded. They have made plain that they take no stock in Colonel Smith's contention that the Senate has an erroneous conception of his case and that he is the only person able to set it right, and that to plead his cause he must be admitted to full standing as a Senator.

Some of the Senators who have warned Colonel Smith that they will vote to prevent him from taking the oath of office if he disregards their advice to remain away until his certificate of election becomes effective, take the position that any argument by Colonel Smith as to the justice of his position, constitutionally or otherwise, will count for nothing in the face of political expediency and the spectre of the Newberry case, which is ever present in the vision of Senators.

American Wins Paris Divorce.

PARIS, Dec. 24 (AP).—A divorce decree has been registered in the Paris courts for H. Clement Barnes from Mrs. Florence Van Wyck Ocoens Barnes. Mr. Barnes's address was given as Paris, while that of Mrs. Barnes was given as 1,055 Mason Street, San Francisco. No details of the suit have been made public.

FORD TALKS ON MOTOR SITUATION.

Henry Ford continues to be the greatest single influence in the motor world, but faces sharper competition. An interview with the Detroit manufacturer is reported in The New York Times tomorrow, Sunday.—Advt.

Coolidge 'Coon' Gets Ribbon And Is Now Named Rebecca

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Coolidge's pet raccoon has not been overlooked in the matter of Christmas gifts. This little animal today wore a red ribbon attractively tied in a bowknot about her collar. And tomorrow Rebecca—that is her new name—is to receive from the President's hands a collar with a shiny plate bearing her full name, "Rebecca Raccoon of the White House."

Rebecca, the Mississippi "coon," seems to have become the President's favorite pet.

The little "coon," sent to the President by Southern admirers as the pièce de résistance of his Thanksgiving Day dinner, now has a comfortable home in the boughs of a tree just beyond the back windows of the office of the President, who visits her every day.

MOSES AND WINANT CLASH.

Senator and Governor Exchange Campaign Fund Thrusts.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 24 (AP).—A request by the Attorney General of New Hampshire for a more detailed account of the expenses of Senator George H. Moses and his committee in the recent campaign has resulted in a clash between the Senator and Governor John G. Winant.

Senator Moses signified that the requested information would be provided, but issued a statement to which Governor Winant replied today. In his statement Senator Moses said:

"Times have changed. The form of return used by Governor Winant in reporting his unparalleled expenditures in the campaign of 1924 is not satisfactory to the Attorney General, whom Governor Winant appointed. We will endeavor to satisfy him."

Replying today, Governor Winant said in part:

"The Attorney General of New Hampshire, acting in compliance with the laws of the State, requested certain candidates and committees to file more detailed returns on campaign expenditures.

"You took this occasion yesterday to make a veiled but ugly and uncalled for attack on me. * * *

"I regret to note of late that inquiries, whether bearing on payments made to you or by you, appear to create a nervousness and an irritability on your part that to a guileless constituent seem unwarranted.

"Therefore, I am taking the liberty to remind you that not long after the great Moses hammered out on tablets of stone those ancient commandments that the wise obey, a Greek philosopher warned us poor mortals that 'the gods first make angry those they would destroy.'"

THE TRUE LIBERALISM

Briefly Defined by Dr. Butler in His Christmas Greeting to Friends.

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, in his Christmas card to friends this year under the caption: "1926—Quo Vadis," says:

A free State built upon free labor, with liberty for its watchword and justice as its guide, is the ideal of a true democracy—that form of society which Lowell characterized so suggestively if incompletely as one in which every man has a chance and knows that he has it. To the hectic, emotional radicalism that clamors for the exaltation of the mediocre and the unfit, and upon which false democracy builds, true democracy will oppose a healthy, intellectual liberalism that will aim to redress old wrongs without inflicting new ones. This liberalism of true democracy sees the end of a perfected individualism not in selfishness but in service, not in isolation but in fraternity.

With Christmas and New Year's greetings,

NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER.

SMASHES WINDOW, TAKES $4,000 GEMS

Thief Hurls a Wrapped Brick Into Brooklyn Jewelry Shop and Snatches Trays.

TWO OTHER STORES ROBBED

Four Thugs Get $613 in Clothing Establishment—Lone Man Takes $125 in Another.

Lew Pollock, owner of a jewelry shop at 2,623 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, his two clerks, his wife and his daughter, Dorothy, 19, were waiting on late Christmas customers last night when all were startled by the crash of glass in the front window. They saw a rectangular package wrapped in green paper with a red ribbon hurtle into the store, and running toward the front, saw a man wearing a gray sweater and gray cap pick up two trays of diamond rings valued at $4,000 and run toward a gray touring car at the curb.

They were out on the sidewalk in a moment, but already the gray car, with a second man at the wheel, was careening on two wheels around the corner of Sheffield Avenue, where it disappeared. The green and red package was found to be a brick.

Mr. Pollock told the police later that the man at the wheel of the car seemed to be the same man who had been in his shop a short time before examining merchandise.

Four well dressed young men held up Albert Brody, proprietor of a clothing shop at 36 Eldridge Street, two salesmen and two customers last night and escaped with $613 and a pistol.

The customers were trying on coats when the robbers, holding pistols, entered and ordered every one into the rear room. While two of the intruders kept pistols pointed at the five men, the others took $490 and the pistol from the cash register, $63 from one customer and $60 from a clerk. They ran to the street and disappeared before Brody reached the sidewalk to cry an alarm. Brody's shop was robbed of $2,000 in October, 1924, under similar circumstances.

A Roulston grocery store, at 540 Richmond Avenue, Port Richmond, S. I., was held up last night by a young man armed with two revolvers and wearing a mask. Edward Shaughnessy, the manager, was forced into a rear room and the thief took $125 from the cash register.

OFFERS LIFE FOR MASTER.

Chicago Dog, Protecting Truck Driver, Is Shot by Hold-Up Men.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Trixie, a German police dog, offered her life that her master might live.

Trixie's job was to guard a truck driven by her master, Jerry Deroul, an employe of a cigar company. Two hold-up men drove up beside the truck and ordered Deroul to get off the seat.

Deroul called for help and one of the robbers fired. As he did so Trixie leaped at his throat, and the bullet intended for Deroul passed through her body.

"She saved my life. Please save her life," Deroul pleaded later at a veterinary hospital. But while the veterinarians have done everything possible for the gallant dog, little hope is held that she will live.

Tablet Honors New Rochelle Teacher

Special to The New York Times.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Dec. 24.—A bronze tablet in memory of Miss Lucinda E. Feeney has been placed in the new auditorium of the Columbus School and will be unveiled after the holidays. Some time ago friends of Miss Feeney, who was principal from 1909 to 1922, raised a fund for the memorial for the school where she had served so long. Owing to the school addition and changes in the old building, the placing of the memorial tablet has been delayed until now. The bronze is the work of Anton Schaaf.

Greetings From Will Rogers And Some Advice to Men

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To the Editor of The New York Times:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 24.—Merry Christmas, my constant readers, both of you.

No scandal today. There is some, but it will be more scandalous by tomorrow.

Men, act surprised this morning as if you didn't know the tie was coming. Yours,

WILL ROGERS.

FACE EVICTION ON HOLIDAY.

Jobless Chauffeur and Family Must Dine With Kin Today.

In spite of efforts of Magistrate Lawrence T. Gresser and attachés of the Long Island City Magistrate's Court to arrange a Christmas dinner for John Delaney and his family, the Delaneys will have their Christmas dinner in different homes.

Delaney was brought into court yesterday by his wife on a charge of failing to support her and her two children, one two years old, the other eight months old. Both parents are in their early twenties. Delaney said he was willing to support his family, but that he had not had a job for three months. Mrs. Delaney said she had received a dispossess notice because of her failure to pay the rent for their apartment at 750 Boulevard, Astoria, and also received notice from the furniture company that unless payments were made the furniture would be taken.

"It certainly is the wrong time of the year for a family to be separated," said Magistrate Gresser. "I am going to put this case over for a week, and in the meantime Probation Officer Hammil will see what he can do in the way of permanent help. In the meantime I will start with a contribution to buy you food for a Christmas dinner in your own home."

Mrs. Delaney interrupted.

"But, your honor," she said, "even if I had the food I could not cook it. Because we were behind in our bills the gas has been shut off."

"What will you do about your Christmas dinner?" asked the Magistrate.

"My mother will take care of my children and me for dinner," said Mrs. Delaney.

"I can get a meal with my family, too," said Delaney.

So it was settled. Meanwhile Probation Officer John Hammil is trying to find some one who needs a chauffeur.

Sends Turkeys to All His Tenants.

HOLYOKE, Mass., Dec. 24 (AP).—Tenants of an eight-apartment block in East Dwight Street, who have feared a rent raise since their landlord visited them recently and asked the number of men, women and children in each family, were agreeably surprised today when he sent a turkey to each household, the size of the bird depending on the size of the family.

PARDONED, STAYS AT PRISON

Ohio Penitentiary Minstrel Remains for Christmas Shows.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 24 (AP).—Although his Christmas pardon by Governor Donahey would allow Russell H. Wattles to spend Christmas Eve at his Seneca County home he chose to remain at the Ohio Penitentiary.

Wattles was cast as a leading character in the annual penitentiary minstrel show. Rather than disappoint the director, Mrs. P. E. Thomas, wife of the warden, he agreed to stay with friends here and return to the penitentiary both Christmas Eve and Christmas morning to aid in entertaining those to whom the occasion means diversion before another long, weary stretch.

Rob Cleveland Office of $5,000.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 24 (AP).—Eight armed bandits today held up five persons in the office of the Union Towel and Supply Company, took $5,000 in money and two rings valued at $3,500, and escaped in an automobile as Clarence Roskopf emptied a revolver at them from his office. Four women employes were working in the office at the time.

TRAVEL RECORDS MADE BY NAVAL SECRETARIES

Robinson and Warner Cover 35,000 Miles in a Few Months by Land, Water and Air.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Distance travel records of Government officials are threatened by Assistant Secretaries T. Douglas Robinson and Edward P. Warner of the navy, whose duties have carried them thousands of miles on inspection by plane, rail and ship. In conducing personal observations of shore stations and activities in the current fiscal year Mr. Robinson traveled 20,000 miles; Mr. Warner, who is in direct charge of naval aeronautics, in the three months following his appointment on July 1 covered 15,000 miles.

Mr. Robinson's duties took him from the submarine base at New London, Conn., across the continent to Washington and California. When on the west coast he boarded the battleship Arizona and witnessed the return of the battle fleet from Australia.

Later he went to Panama, Haiti, Porto Rico, St. Thomas, St. Croix and Cuba. From time to time he made airplane flights.

PATRONAGE PLAN IN DOUBT.

But Coolidge Will Consult Hilles on New York Appointments.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Statements that Charles D. Hilles, Republican National Committeeman for New York, has been selected as arbiter of Federal patronage in New York State are not entirely correct, according to a White House official. Nothing has been done yet in the matter of arranging for Federal patronage distribution in the State, this official said.

With the expiration of the term of Senator Wadsworth on March 4 next, it was explained, Mr. Hilles, will be looked to by President Coolidge to make recommendations for Federal places in New York, provided he is willing to undertake that duty. It was said the President would follow in such cases the practice that applies where a State has no Republican Senator.

The impression was given that no arrangement had been made concerning New York's Federal offices, and that the question of Presidential recognition of a committee to advise Mr. Coolidge with regard to appointments in that State would be taken up in case Mr. Hillis was unwilling to act as sole adviser.

AMERICAN MARINES IN REBELS' CAPITAL

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sonable way and the most brutal and the most fruitless would be a war with Mexico."

Senator Borah issued his statement upon learning that Rear Admiral Latimer had landed American bluejackets at Rio Grande Bar and had himself proceeded aboard his flagship the Rochester to Puerto Cabezas, the main focal point of the present revolutionary movement against the Diaz Government.

Calls Defense of Nationals Usual.

"I understand," said Mr. Borah, "the marines have been landed upon the request of American citizens now living in and doing business in certain parts of Nicaragua. They report that their lives and property are in danger because of the fighting and turmoil and have asked for protection. This, of course, is usual and the proper thing to do.

"I don't understand that their landing is in any sense the initial step of intervention. I take it we have no thought of intervening in Nacaraugua, or as President Diaz seems to express it, sending an army and a navy to fight Mexico and defend his Government by means of force.

"The mere fact that we recognize the Diaz Government does not impose upon us either the legal or moral obligation to maintain that Government by force. We are not, I presume, going to assume the rôle of censor for Central American revolutions. Neither are we going to carry on war against any country which may have political ideas or institutions not in harmony with our ideas and institutions.

"The truth is, effort is being made to get this country into a shameless, cowardly little war with Mexico.

"If Diaz could induce us to begin that war with Mexico in defense of his country, he would be serving, wittingly or unwittingly, the schemes of those who would like to see us in trouble with Mexico.

"The American people should understand that all this cry of communism and destruction of property is an effort to justify war with Mexico. They talk communism and Bolshevism but what they mean is war."

Sacasa Envoy Assails Landing.

The American naval authorities were charged by Dr. T. B. Vaca, in an earlier statement tonight, with taking "advantage of the recess of Congress" to land bluejackets.

Extensive mahogany growths are owned by Americans on the east coast of Nicaragua, and it has been assumed here that recent difficulties with the Sacasa forces, who are in strong force in that section, over the payment of export taxes may have required precautionary action by Admiral Latimer. Dr. Vaca, on the other hand, asserted that the tax difficulty had been adjusted.

"The landing of marines at Rio Grande," Dr. Vaca said, "is a distinct effort to interfere with the military operation of the constitutional army, which is to capture the Diaz forces near Pearl Lagoon.

"I received a communication from the Minister of Foreign Relations last week, advising the matter in dispute regarding the payment of duties by American exporters of lumber within the area controlled by the Constitutional Government has been satisfactorily arranged with the approval of the American naval authorities.

"I am also informed that the Constitutional Government is taking pains to protect the rights of the foreigners and natives and to maintain strict order within its jurisdiction, there being, therefore, no apparent justification for the activities of the American destroyer and marines in the zone occupied by the constitutional authorities.

"It is my belief that the naval authorities in Nicaraguan waters are trying to take advantage of the recess of Congress to do their work. It may be a merry Christmas for the bankers, but 'funny business' for the navy of the United States."

The Nicaraguan policy will be fully discussed in the Senate. The resolution of Senator Moses, who is a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, calling on President Coolidge for full information on the subject will be pressed vigorously by its author. It has been referred to the Foreign Relations Committee, and that committee is expected to report favorably soon after Congress reassembles Jan. 3.

DIAZ HAD A NARROW ESCAPE.

Driver of Carriage Was Mutilated by Those Trying to Slay President.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 24 (AP).—President Diaz had a narrow escape last night when two men armed with long knives, or machetes, attacked the Presidential carriage as he was returning from a social function about 11 P. M. The President alighted on the opposite side as the men threw themselves on the carriage. He was unharmed, but the driver, who intervened to protect Diaz, was literally cut to pieces. His eyes were gouged out and his nose and hands cut off, leaving him in a dying condition. The assailants fled.

The President placed the wounded driver in the carriage and then drove it himself to Campo de Marte, while soldiers dispersed a crowd which had gathered. The driver said he recognized the face of one assailant, but is too weak to give details.

The attack caused much indignation here. Charles C. Eberhardt, the American Minister, and many other officials congratulated President Diaz upon his escape.

The President expressed the opinion that the assault was "inspired by the belief of certain Liberals that his elimination would deprive the Conservatives of the strength of a constitutional and recognized President. The Liberals believing that the Conservatives would have no other eligible candidate for the Presidency who would be recognized readily by the United States."

Strong guards have been placed around the President's residence and the American Legation to prevent further attacks. Many Nicaraguan families are moving to Managua in fear of disorders. Some prominent Nicaraguans are sending their families to the United States.

CITY READY TO FIGHT BUS OPPOSITION

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vice Commission in the rest of the State, to nullify a franchise granted by the governing body of the city by refusing to grant a certificate of convenience and necessity is unconstitutional. Though an old law, this law, it was said, had not been tested in the courts.

The City Administration's position, as set forth by some of the Mayor's advisers, is that, since the city received the power to grant franchises, formerly possessed by the Legislature, by constitutional amendment many years ago, a law nullifying this power, such as the power of granting the certificate is contended to be, is unconstitutional. This view, of course, is not the one held by other lawyers and would be opposed by the counsel for the transit companies.

The apparent intention of the Board of Estimate to deny the B. M. T. and the Fifth Avenue Coach-New York Railways group bus franchises and its willingness to undertake instead a legal battle to maintain the city's right to establish an independent bus system were taken as an indication that the City Administration had little thought of conceding anything to the B. M. T. in the way of an increased fare on the rapid transit lines. The B. M. T. group, according to the belief of the majority of the members of the board, is now the main factor in the control of the city's rapid transit lines, owning a large part of the stock or control of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and being allied with the Fifth Avenue Coach Company group, which recently purchased control of the New York Railways Corporation.

The recent statement of the New York Railways Corporation that it intended to spend large sums in rehabilitating its surface lines was accepted by city officials as an indication that that company intended to oppose the award of bus franchises, as now contemplated by the Board of Estimate. This statement in the view of members of the City Administration was an effort on the part of the company to put itself in a more favorable position with the Transit Commission and with the public in advance of its expected opposition to the award of bus franchises.

No opposition to the award of bus franchises in Manhattan is expected from the Third Avenue Railway Company, which now seems slated to receive the bus franchise for the Bronx. According to the view taken by Mayor Walker's transit advisers, the opposition to the award of bus franchises will extend to all the proposed north and south routes in Manhattan and some of the proposed crosstown routes and to practically all the proposed Brooklyn routes.

Walker and Smith to Meet.

Mayor Walker, accompanied by Mrs. Walker, will visit Governor and Mrs. Smith at Albany next Wednesday, and it is considered certain that there will be a general discussion of the transit situation when the Governor and the Mayor meet. Although the Mayor's call is ostensibly a social one, made because he will be unable to attend the Governor's fourth inaugural on Jan. 1, it was learned that the Mayor had been invited to Albany by the Governor, following publication of the report that the Mayor was unqualifiedly opposed to the Governor's plan to merge the Transit and Public Service Commissions.

Mayor Walker, although he has avoided a personal break with the Governor on transit, is still determined to prevent the consolidation of the two commissions, if he can. Belief was expressed here that the Governor probably would abandon his efforts for consolidation after talking with the Mayor.

REFUSES TO DELAY SUBWAY.

Justice Dowling Denies Stay on Church Street Construction.

Justice Victor J. Dowling of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court denied yesterday the application of Jasper A. Campbell, President of the Central Park West and Columbus Avenue Association, for a stay to stop all subway construction in Church Street and Sixth Avenue, pending decision by the Court of Appeals in Mr. Campbell's action for an injunction to prevent the award of the contract for sections of the Fifty-third Street subway because of a new "prevailing rate of wages" clause. The appeal in question is being taken by Mr. Campbell from a decision of Supreme Court Justice Aaron J. Levy, who decided in favor of the city.

Isidor J. Kresel, attorney for Mr. Campbell, in arguing for a stay, said that the Court of Appeals probably would hear the appeal in January and that the city would suffer no damage by reason of a short delay. William G. Fullen, counsel for the Board of Transportation, said that the Church Street and Sixth Avenue contracts had been approved by the Board of Estimate and a delay now might cast a cloud on the legality of the contracts and perhaps raise a question of the right of the Board of Transportation to carry on the work. Justice Dowling, in denying Mr. Campbell's application for a stay, said in effect that the construction of a new subway system was too important a matter to be interfered with.

GRANTS BUS FRANCHISE.

Mamaroneck and White Plains to Be Linked After Three Years.

Special to The New York Times.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 24.—A bus line between White Plains and Mamaroneck, which places have had no transportation link in almost three years, is now only a question of a few weeks.

At a meeting last night the Mamaroneck Board of Trustees unanimously gave consent to the Westchester Street Transportation Company, a subsidiary of the Third Avenue Railroad Company, to run buses over the streets of that village as a connecting link with this city.

As this city already has agreed that the Third Avenue road might substitute buses for trolleys on the Mamaroneck Avenue line, it is now only necessary

MILLS DENIES LEE WAS GUIDE IN RAIDS

Prohibition Head Says Man With Night Club Entree Was a 'J. F.' and Mystery Deepens.

CALLS LEE AN EX-BUS BOY

And Declares Cabarets Pay Him 20% of Checks of Patrons He Brings In.

COLLINS REPUDIATES TALE

Insurance Agent Says He Never Went Out With Man Who Said He Had Been Duped by Dry Men.

The mystery surrounding the identity of the "mysterious Mr. X" who, "for a consideration," opened the doors of many night clubs to prohibition agents, deepened yesterday as a result of denials of the story related to newspaper men Thursday by Harry Algernon Lee, the dapper young Englishman who said he had been duped by Federal agents and had since been threatened and told to leave town.

Lee had said that he had been introduced to Prohibition Agents Miley and Geisler as Bly and Mueller, a real estate specialist and a tobacco planter, respectively. He declared Jerome F. Collins, an insurance agent whom he had known two years, had introduced him to both "Bly" and "Mueller" and that Mr. Collins had gone out with him and the agents on a number of night club parties.

Mr. Collins said yesterday he had known Lee only about a year, that he had never been to any night club with him and that he did not know Geisler, or "Mueller," at all. He was positive in his statement that he had introduced Lee to Miley about two months ago in his office and that he had used the name Miley, having known nothing about "Bly" at that time. He said also that Lee had telephoned him Thursday night and had told him he had been forced to "tell his story" to newspaper men because published reports of the recent prohibition enforcement drive against fifty-eight night clubs and other centres of night life in Manhattan had "hurt my business with the night clubs."

Mills's Comment on Lee.

This intimation that Lee was in the employ of the night clubs was strengthened by Major Chester P. Mills, Prohibition Administrator, who, when asked about Lee, replied:

"He was a bus boy at Delmonico's once and now, I learn, he is in the pay of some of the night clubs from which he receives 20 per cent. of the profits made by these clubs on patrons he brings into them. Certainly Lee was not the 'mysterious Mr. X.' I knew nothing about him."

As Lee's story had made it appear possible that Mr. Collins might be "Mr. X" Major Mills was urged to disclose the identity of the "undercover" man who had volunteered his services. He finally said:

"Well, his initials are J. F., but I refuse to say who he is."

His attention was then called to the fact that Mr. Collins's first two initials are J. F. Major Mills replied he did not know Mr. Collins, yet refused directly to affirm or deny that he was the mysterious "Mr. X." He denied also that Miss Marjorie Booth, the 1924 "Miss New York," in the Atlantic City bathing beauty contest, had been employed by the Government to take any part in the recent night club investigation. If she accompanied the agents to any such places, he said, she must have done so without knowing what the agents were doing.

Major Mills led the interview into familiar ground, to him, by announcing that there would be no more spectacular raids before the end of the year, but added that his agents were still at work, as was also the padlock division, and that they would endeavor to make the holidays "as dry as possible."

Mr. Collins's Statement.

At his home, 1,597 East Forty-sixth Street, Brooklyn, Mr. Collins said:

"The only time I was ever in the employ of any branch of the Government was in 1918, when I was in the United States Field Artillery. I have never in my life been to a night club with Lee, who is not my friend but a casual acquaintance whom I have known for about one year. I did not introduce Lee to Mueller. I do not even know Mueller, or Geisler. I did introduce Lee, about two months ago, to Miley, now spoken of as Bly, a prohibition agent, but I introduced him as Miley and not as Bly, as Lee has said.

"It came about in this way: Lee was in my office when Miley, whom I had known for about two years, chanced to enter. Miley had done publicity work for me some time ago. I had not seen him in six months, but I have always admired him as a capable and honest man. I had no idea he was a prohibition agent. He told me he was in the real estate business and, knowing that Lee also was in that business, naturally I introduced them to each other.

"Lee told me some time later that he and Miley had been to a number of night clubs and cabarets. The first I ever heard of Bly was that day. Lee told me that Miley had said to him, 'I have a very wealthy aunt whom I do not want to know about my going to night clubs, so I want to be known as Mr. Bly, a real estate specialist.'"

Produced "Bly" Business Card.

Thursday Lee told newspaper men that Mr. Collins had introduced Miley to him as Bly. He also produced a soiled business card on which was printed, "Henry A. Bly, Real Estate Specialists, Suite 602-604, 1,113 Broadway." No explanation of his possession of the card could be obtained yesterday. Calls at Lee's apartment at 35 East Forty-ninth Street were unanswered, although he had said Thursday that in spite of threats he had no intention of leaving town.

The address printed on the business card of "Henry & Bly" is that of the Onyx Building at Twenty-fourth Street and Broadway, where Major Mills had his prohibition headquarters until they were moved to 1 Perk Avenue some time ago. On the sixth floor, where "Suite 602-604" was supposed to be, there is a display and salesroom of the Onyx Hosiery Company.

"Three weeks ago," Mr. Collins continued, "Miley told me that he was a prohibition agent. I commended him for his good work, but told him I felt that I should tell Lee in justice to the young Englishman. I did so promptly. Lee seemed surprised. Whether he continued the night-club visits with Miley after that I do not know. I have heard that Lee is a 'café hustler,' or, as Major Mills has said, gets a percentage of the checks of persons whom he takes to certain places. I do not know this. Lee called me up Thursday night and told me of his interview with newspaper men, saying he had been forced to talk, as the situation had developed to a point where it was hurting his business with the night clubs.

"Two years ago, or thereabouts, I think I visited a cabaret with Miley. I don't believe he was a prohibition agent at that time. But I have never entered any such place with either Lee or Geisler (Mueller)."

Mr. Collins said Lee had once been a social secretary to Byron Chandler of Great Neck, L. I., formerly a well-known racing man.

DENY "SPEAKEASY CHAIN."

Treasury Officials Say Method Is Not Used to Trace Bootleg Liquor.

Treasury officials in Washington denied last night published reports that an "under-cover" squad, headed by A. Bruce Bielaski, head of the Treasury Department's "under-cover" men, operated a "chain of speakeasies" to trace the supply of bootleg liquor in New York or anywhere else.

Vincent Simonton, in charge of the intelligence work on liquor cases for the Bureau of Internal Revenue, when asked about the report replied:

"It is not so."

The report is understood to have been due to the recent testimony of Ralph A. Bickle, one of Bielaski's agents, that he had operated a speakeasy for five months in West Forty-fourth Street to get information about bootleggers and rum-runners. Bielaski, when asked about this, said merely that Bickle was a Government employe. He did not deny that the speakeasy had been operated by Bickle for the purpose named. The place was known as the Bridge Whist Club.

Although the Treasury officials did not deny the operation of the "prohibition enforcement speakeasy," they were very positive that it was not "one of a chain." Bickle is said to have brought about the seizure of quantities of liquor which, as operator of the speakeasy, he had ordered. He later sold the club to another man who was raided soon after.

WISSEL AND DINAN GIVE UP.

Edgewater (N. J.) Officials Give $2,500 Bail Each in Eker Case.

Mayor Henry Wissel and Chief of Police James A. Dinan of Edgewater, N. J., indicted for conspiracy in connection with the landing of a $2,000,000 liquor cargo from the rum-running steamship Eker, surrendered yesterday to Deputy United States Marshal James J. Donnelly and were later released in $2,500 bail each by United States Commissioner Edward R. Stanton, in Hoboken.

Commissioner Stanton ordered the two Edgewater officials to appear before him at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon to show cause why they should not be removed to the Southern District of New York, in which the indictments were returned by a Federal Grand Jury.

The surrender had been prearranged through George Cutley, attorney for Mayor Wissel and Chief Dinan, who recently announced that his clients would fight removal proceedings. Donnelly, who is attached to United States Attorney Winne's office in Newark, had two warrants for each of the defendants. One charged conspiracy to violate the prohibition law and the other a violation of that law. The warrants were issued on complaint of Gregory W. O'Keefe, Special Agent of the Treasury Department attached to the Customs Division in Manhattan.

Bail was furnished for both defendants by the Royal Indemnity Company.

MRS. FERGUSON FREES MORE

Texas Governor's Christmas List Brings Total to 2,936.

AUSTIN, Dec. 24 (AP).—Clemency proclamations issued by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson neared the 3,000 mark today, with indications that this total might be reached before New Year's.

Forty-six full pardons were granted yesterday in addition to one conditional pardon, two paroles and two jail sentence remissions.

Stenographers in the office of the Secretary of State were instructed to continue work on the proclamations today, with the prospect that the Christmas clemency order total may climb to 150.

Since her inauguration nearly two years ago Governor Ferguson issued clemency decrees to 2,936 persons in penal institutions, including 761 full pardons and 815 conditional pardons. She has also commuted eight death sentences and restored citizenship to 371 former convicts.

Governor Ferguson will be succeeded next month by Attorney General Dan Moody.

British Columbia's Profits On Liquor Total $14,700,000

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24 (AP).—British Columbia today reported profits of $14,700,000 for five years and three months of Provincial liquor sale.

In the first six months of the system the Province made $1,231,000 on alcoholic beverages and in the last six covered by the accounting, ended Sept. 30, $1,156,000. The best six months ended March 31, $1,781,000.

Profits were larger in Winter than in Summer.

FAMILY OF 9 SLAIN ON A TEXAS FARM

Husband Is Seized When Bodies of Wife and Eight Stepchildren Are Found Buried.

TRIES TO KILL HIMSELF

Police Say Crazed Farwell Man Strangled Baby and Killed Others With an Axe.

FARWELL, Texas, Dec. 24 (AP).—A charge of murder was filed early tonight against George J. Hassell, 45, a farmer, in connection with the discovery early today of the mutilated bodies of his wife and eight stepchildren. Hassell is at a hospital and is said by the doctors to be dying from self-inflicted wounds.

Dazed and talking incoherently, Hassell was unable to give the police an explanation of the deaths. The bodies were found in a dugout on the Hassell farm, three miles from here. As the farmer was being questioned by officers he stabbed himself three times with a pocket knife.

The police were called to the farm by anonymous reports that Hassell had been acting strangely and that his family, who he announced several days ago were visiting in Oklahoma, could not be located.

After Hassell stabbed himself, a search of the farm revealed the bodies. An axe covered with blood was found near by. The bodies had been buried for about three weeks, authorities believe.

The children ranged in age from 2 to 21. The youngest child apparently had been choked to death and the others had been slain with an axe.

Hassell's brother died two years ago and Hassell married the brother's widow, assuming the care of the eight children.

Authorities are unable to assign a motive for the slayings. Neighbors say that about a month ago Hassell had complained that his wife had asked him to refrain from using liquor. He declared at the time, it is said, that he was fond of the children and was going to "mend his ways."

Bank officials became interested in the condition of the family when Hassell deposited $1,500 from the sale of property on his farm. This was about a week after the family disappeared. He is said to have remarked at that time that he intended to join them in Oklahoma.

WOMEN RULE IOWA COUNTY.

Will Fill Majority of Offices After New Year's Day.

SHENANDOAH, Iowa, Dec. 24 (AP).—When Miss Katherine Millen, a Monmouth College co-ed, takes over the County Auditors office Jan. 1 the men will surrender the majority of power in Page County affairs to the fair sex. The Clerk, Recorder, Superintendent of Schools and Auditor will be women, while the men will retain only the offices of Sheriff, Treasurer and County Attorney.

Miss Millen came home from Monmouth, Ill., long enough to announce her candidacy and then returned to her studies. Later she made a short visit to wind up her campaign and won in the primary by several hundred votes over Auditor Harvey Harris, who had led the Republican county ticket in previous elections.

Tuck Left a $1,600,000 Estate.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—A Christmas Eve coincidence today was the publication of the will of Sir Adolph Tuck, formerly Chairman of the Raphael Tuck Company, long noted as makers of Christmas cards. The will disposed of an estate valued at £321,638.

Sir Adolph, who introduced picture postcards into the British Empire and inaugurated the first of a series of Christmas card exhibition, died July 3.

Teacher Sues Wallace Nutting for Cupboard; Says J. P. Morgan Has Offered $20,000 for It

Special to The New York Times.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 24.—Abby W. Howes, a Danvers High School teacher, today brought a bill in equity in Middlesex Superior Court, charging that Wallace Nutting, artist and antiquarian, fraurulently obtained a Colonial cupboard from her for $2,000 and is now planning to sell it to J. Pierpont Morgan for $20,000.

The plaintiff is a direct descendant of Thomas Prince, a Governor of the Plymouth Colony, who died in 1673. She sets forth that the antique piece is the "Prince-Howes press cupboard," at one time the property of Governor Prince.

She petitions that Mr. Nutting be ordered to transfer the cupboard and title to it back to her, that he be restrained from selling it, that he be ordered to care for it properly and, finally, that the court award damages to her.

A temporary order restraining Mr. Nutting from disposing of the cupboard prior to a hearing next Wednesday was issued today.

Miss Howes states that she requested Mr. Nutting in 1921 to give her an opinion on the value of the cupboard, she not desiring to sell it but to learn its true value. She alleged that he, with intent to defraud her and acquire the cupboard, expressed the opinion that the cupboard was worth not more than $2,000.

At that time, she alleges, he knew it was worth at least $20,000. Acting on his representations, she asserts, she conveyed title in the cupboard to him. He represented to her, she says, that she owed a moral obligation to the public to put the cupboard on view and that he possessed in his home and studio in Framingham a suitable place to display the cupboard.

She avers that he suggested to her that because of her training as a high school teacher she would be admirably suited to become his secretary. He knew, Miss Howe says, that she was of moderate means and would not be able to take advantage of a provision regarding her repurchase of the cupboard in a bill of sale dictated by him.

This provision, she sets forth, was that she would have the right to repurchase at the price offered by any other party, she to have ten days within which to make the repurchase. A short time after this, she alleges, Mr. Nutting told her that she would never be able to acquire title to the antique again because of its value.

On Dec. 15 last, she alleges, Mr. Nutting informed her that she must pay $20,000 within ten days if she wished to regain the cupboard. He said that he had an offer of that amount for it. The teacher asserts that J. Pierpont Morgan has made this offer and that $20,000 has been deposited by him with Mr. Nutting.

Miss Howe avers that when she sold the cupboard she believed she had the right to repossess it upon payment of approximately $3,000. She is ready to repay Mr. Nutting with interest what he paid for the antique and asks that the Court order him to transfer the cupboard and title to her on receipt of $3,000 and 6 per cent. interest from the date of purchase.

HART PREFERS TO BE DODO.

Harvard Professor Emeritus Says Critic Is Not Even Hatched.

Special to The New York Times.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 24.—Albert Bushnell Hart, professor emeritus of Harvard, "would rather be a dodo, who has at least been hatched, than a tyro not yet out of the shell," he declared today in answer to W. E. Woodward, who called Professor Hart a dodo because he criticized the Woodward biography of George Washington. Woodward said in New York yesterday that Professor Hart had called him a tyro, but that he would rather be a tyro than a dodo."

"I will be delighted," said Professor Hart, "if a jury panel composed of all readers of Washington literature will pass upon the extent of Mr. Woodward's researches, the value of his judgment, the soundness of his estimate of Washington and the superiority of tyros not yet out of the shell as against dodoes who at least are hatched."

SOVIET KEEPS CHRISTMAS.

Closes All Departments — Allows Trees in State Orphanages.

MOSCOW, Dec. 24 (AP).—Soviet Russia today began to celebrate two Christmases, one based on the Gregorian calendar, which is observed by the townpeople, and the other coming thirteen days later, based on the Julian calendar, which is observed by the peasantry.

Despite its repudiation of religion, the Government is observing the holiday by closing all departments for two days.

A further evidence that the old Christmas spirit in Russia is not dead was seen in the crowded churches, the free sale of ikons and the widespread use of Christmas trees even in State orphanages.

At first the Government forbade the sale of Christmas trees on the ground that their use destroyed forest growth, but it relented and allowed the free cutting of trees.

The children of most classes in Russia are well provided with toys, but the country's hundreds of thousands of vagrant children are not tasting the Christmas spirit. Heavy snowfalls and zero weather have added to the misery of the little outcasts who know neither home nor love.

In Soviet Armenia, the American Near East Relief has rescued many thousand of these orphans and is providing them with Christmas dinners and toys.

ACCUSED UNION MEN SCORE.

Court Rules Local Fund Must Pay Their Expenses in Suit.

In one branch of the litigation between the officers of Local No. 3 of the Electrical Workers' Union and the officers of the international union in Washington, involving charges that the local heads accepted bribes, Supreme Court Justice Crain decided yesterday that Richard L. O'Hara, President of the local, and sixteen other officers were entitled to have their expenses in the proceedings paid out of the $260,000 fund of the local.

Justice Crain accordingly denied an application by Julius G. Timko, member of the local, to restrain the payment of any moneys out of the local treasury for the defense of the officers. The Court said that such application of the funds would not constitute misuse of the money, since the entire local body was interested in the charges.

CINCINNATI BANKS TO UNITE.

Fifth-Third National and Union Trust Vote Consolidation.

Special to The New York Times.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 24.—The directors of the Fifth-Third National Bank and the Union Trust Company, meeting in joint session today, voted to merge the banks. Consolidation will give the new bank deposits of more than $70,000,000 and resources of more than $90,000,000.

The Fifth-Third Bank will give up its national charter, taking on the State charter of the Union Trust Company. However, the merged bank will be a member of the Federal Reserve Banking system and subject to Government inspection.

Details of the plan were revealed tonight by Charles A. Hinsch, who will be President of the united organization. He has been president of both banks. All officers and employes of both institutions will be retained, Mr. Hinsch said.

Troops to Welcome General McRae.

The Seventy-eighth Division, "New Jersey's own," will welcome Major Gen. James H. McRae as Commanding General of the Second Corps Area, at a dinner to be held at The Mosque, 1,020 Broad Street, Newark, on Friday, Jan. 14. General McRae recently succeeded Major Gen. Charles P. Summerall, now Chief of Staff, in command of New York, New Jersey and Delaware. He commanded the Seventy-eighth Division on active service during the World War.

SECRECY OVER CHINA STIRS FOREIGNERS

Publishing of British Plan and Action Regardless of Smaller Nations Are Demanded.

SAY WASHINGTON HESITATES

Merchants Realize That Higher Tariff Is Certain — Cantonese Influence Grows Apace.

By THOMAS F. MILLARD.

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SHANGHAI, Dec. 24.—The complete text of the recent memorandum presented to the diplomatic corps in Peking by the British Chargé d'Affaires is awaited in China with intense interest. Meanwhile the reactions already are taking shape. The positions taken by the opposing wings of the Kuomintang (Canton Radical Party) again emphasize their dissension regarding their whole attitude toward foreigners and treaty revision.

The radicals come out strongly against accepting the recent British gestures at face value. They assail the latest move as allegedly actuated to further entrench the British imperial policy in China and to forestall the complete national liberation movement by inadequate concessions.

Great meetings have been held in Hankow, addressed by the widow and son of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and Borodin, the Russian adviser of the Canton régime, demanding renewed boycotts against the British and every effort to injure that nation's interests in China.

On the other hand the leading British newspaper in China twice this week in editorials demanded full publishing of the British proposal to the powers, and also that London give out the details revealing the cause of the diplomatic secrecy. It says that secret diplomacy concerning China is the primary cause of the irritation between the powers and prevents Western peoples from knowing the real situation. This paper adds that if Great Britain is unable to secure the cooperation of other powers she should proceed alone,, asserting that there is no reason why important Pacific powers should defer to the feelings of little nations which do not affect the ultimate outcome of the Far Eastern question.

Foreign press comment here intimates that the delay is caused by hesitation in Washington, where the Government is supposed to be puzzled and indecisive.

The Japanese press majority is suspicious and dubious regarding the British proposal. It professes to see rocks ahead.

Foreign business interests are aroused over these developments and are inclined to welcome anything likely to lead to a new method of handling the China question.

The majority realize that it is useless further to oppose the tariff increase, because unless the powers concede that much various Chinese areas will impose burdensome taxes anyhow.

The real crux of this matter is whether the British proposal really is tantamount to recognition of the Canton régime as paramount in China, which under existing conditions means a division of the country into two and maybe several quasi-independent States. This, however, is now the actual situation.

The general political and military situation is little changed since last month. The appearance of the North's Shantung troops in Nanking alarms the people of Middle China and helps the Southern party, which seems slowly but surely gaining strength in this region, although depending upon gradual propaganda instead of direct military action.

Regarding alliances among the big militarists, conditions are completely confused, but evidently the recently formed Northern solidarity is seriously shaken.

Anti-Christian Actions Reported.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Anti-Christian societies have been organized in many sections of China where the anti-foreign movement has been active, says a Reuters dispatch from Shanghai. It is rumored that these societies have arranged a number of meetings for Christmas Day.

The Shanghai police show little apprehension, but telegrams from Hankow say anti-Christian manifestations are increasing. Agitators broke up two Christmas entertainments, one in a Wesleyan mission school for girls and the other in a school for the blind. The intruders distributed anti-British literature. A foreign missionary who tried to intervene was seized, carried out into the street and severely manhandled, suffering serious injuries, it is said.

Anti-foreign agitation and the boycott movement are reported to be growing in Hankow and other cities, says the dispatch. Foreign women and children have been advised to leave Kuling and all foreigners are in readiness to evacuate Kiangsi. It also is feared that they may be compelled to evacuate the province of Hunan.

HOWARD WOULD DEPORT SON

Haverhill Man Tells Mexicans John Tried to Kidnap Him.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24 (AP).—John F. Howard, former salad dressing manufacturer of Haverhill, Mass., has asked the police to deport his son, John C. Howard, arrested here in connection with an alleged plot to kidnap his father.

The arrest of young Howard and two companions, described by the Mexico City newspapers as "gunmen from the United States," prevented an affair, the police say, that might have caused trouble between Mexico and the United States.

John C. Howard and his brother Albert followed their father when he came to Mexico several months ago, and attempted to obtain his return to Haverhill. The elder Howard's second wife has since died and he is now said to be honeymooning with the former Señora Leonor Cordero on one of her ranches.

The police allege that one man has confessed. This is denied by John C., together with the stories in the Mexico City newspapers. The elder Howard is quoted by the police as saying that he gave John a small fortune.

MRS. SUMNER WINS ESTATE.

Stepchildren Lose Court Fight Against Admiral's Widow.

Supreme Court Justice Charles Druhan in Brooklyn, in a decision yesterday, awarded to Mrs. Mautilde Wills Sumner, widow of Rear Admiral George Watson Sumner, the ownership of the 100-acre estate at Patchogue, L. I., which she and the late Rear Admiral had purchased in 1903 for $25,000. The present value is thought to be much greater.

George Albert Sumner, his brother; John Sumner, and his sisters, Mrs. Georgine L. Brewster and Mrs. Maude C. Hageman, children of the Rear Admiral by another marriage, had contended that their stepmother's rights in the property were limited to $1,000 which they said she had loaned her husband to help make a first payment of $5,000.

DIES IN BRIDGEPORT CRASH.

Merchant Is Killed and Woman Hurt in Auto Accident.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 24 (AP).—Frank Buttler, a director of the Howland Dry Goods Company, was instantly killed early this morning and a companion, Margaret E. Kimlin, 27, was seriously injured when the automobile in which they were riding was wrecked in a head-on collision with a trolley car.

Miss Kimlin, who is a record clerk at the Howland store, is expected to recover. She had been attending a party in Fairfield. Mr. Buttler had been at the country club, and seeing her waiting for a trolley car offered to take her home in his machine.

Mr. Buttler had been a resident of Bridgeport for fifteen years. He was born in Worcester, Mass. He leaves his wife and three children.

New Hampshire Frees Life Prisoner.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 24 (AP).—George Caswell, 57, father of six living children and the life prisoner of longest service in the New Hampshire State Prison here, was pardoned today. His release came from Governor John G. Winant and members of the Governor's council under the long-standing custom of Christmas clemency. Caswell was committed to prison on Feb. 3, 1913, for the murder of his wife, who had deserted him and his family.

$100,000 SILK FRAUD IS LAID TO FIVE MEN

Prisoners Are Accused of Swindling Paterson Mills in Deals for Hosiery.

CHECKS ON FAKE BANKS

Two Alleged to Have Negotiated for Purchases and Two Others to Have Obtained the Goods.

Four men were arrested here yesterday and a fifth in Union City, N. J., in connection with the swindling of Paterson hosiery mills of more than $100,000 worth of silk hosiery by means of checks on non-existent banks. According to local detectives and the Paterson police, the scheme has been in operation for six months and as late as two days ago $8,000 worth of hosiery was obtained from one mill through fraudulent checks.

The prisoners are Henry Kalem of 95 Tremont Avenue, the Bronx, and Reuben Weller of 318 West Fifty-first Street, alleged to be principals; James Moore of 143 Amsterdam Avenue and Terrance Clarke of 17 West Sixty-third Street, both truck drivers, who insist they are innocent victims of the activities of Kalem and Weller; and William J. Stanton of 305 West Forty-third Street, Union City, N. J., a truck owner and employer of Moore and Clarke.

It is alleged that Kalem and Weller negotiated to purchase many lots of hosiery at various times and that Moore and Clarke drove to the mills and obtained the goods, presenting checks supplied by the other two. In addition to being drawn on non-existent banks, the checks bore forged certifications, it is said.

Two days ago the American Full Fashioned Hosiery Company of Paterson delivered goods worth $5,594 and the Atlas Silk Hosiery Company supplied silk stocks worth $2,537 to the truck drivers when they presented checks drawn on the Broad Street Trust Company of Newark, N. J., it is alleged. It developed that there was no such bank in Newark.

Weller and Kalem, who were arrested at the former's apartment on West Fifty-first Street by New York and Paterson detectives, were taken to the Clymer Street (Brooklyn) police station, where, the detectives say, the proprietor of the Popular Knit Mills of 413 Bedford Avenue identified Kalem as a man who obtained $1,500 worth of merchandise by similar methods some time ago.

$60,000 AWARD TO WIDOW.

Pennsylvania Road Loses Suit for Engineer's Death in Crash.

Special to The New York Times.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Catherine O'Connor of Jersey City, who sued the Pennsylvania Railroad for $100,000 damages for the death of her husband, John, a locomotive engineer, in the derailment of the Atlantic City flier on April 8, won a verdict of $60,000 tonight from a jury in the Westchester County Supreme Court.

Mrs. O'Connor, who appeared in court with her five children, contended that her husband's death was caused by a defective rail. The railroad company tried to show that O'Connor caused his own death by driving the train at an excessive rate of speed. The jury was out five hours. Last week another jury in the same court gave Mrs. Sadie Rayanka of Yonkers, widow of the fireman on the same engine, a verdict for $43,000.

Blondes Hardier, Says Surgeon.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Blondes are not only preferred by gentlemen but, according to the famous surgeon, Sir W. Arbuthnot Lane, they are much hardier. "Fair-haired persons have enormous advantages over dark-haired," he told the American Women's Club here. "They seem to be able to fight against disease very much better."

YOSHIHITO DIES; ALL JAPAN IN VIGIL

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simple. It consisted of the turning over to his keeping the sacred treasures, symbolical of his sovereignty. These were a sword, a mirror and beads, which always accompany an Emperor of Japan.

These treasures, really replicas of originals which are safely deposited in shrines, are venerated as having descended from the gods. With the treasures was also handed to the new Emperor the privy seal of his empire. The ceremony took place in the presence of Cabinet Ministers, other high Government officials, Field Marshals of the army and Admirals of the fleet.

Simultaneously the Ritualist in the Imperial Palace at Tokio reported the accession in the Hall of the Gods, also to the ancestral spirits in the Hall of Ancestors. These ceremonies will be repeated for three days.

Crown Princess Nagako was declared Empress, and the Empress Sadako became the Dowager Empress.

The actual coronation of Hirohito, who has ascended the throne, is not expected to take place before November, 1928, as periods of mourning must intervene.

The new Emperor usually gives his first formal audience the day following death of his predecessor. Government and court officials attend the audience. At this time the Crown Prince may be nominated, but, there being no male heir, this ceremony will be omitted.

Various foreign Governments will be informed by cable of the accession of Emperor Hirohito.

The name of a new era, when the new Emperor acquires another name, usually is announced the day after death. A funeral committee is then appointed.

The court will remain in mourning for a year and the general public fifty days, during which all must wear a black badge of mourning and not engage in merrymaking or public functions.

Customarily, the new Emperor issues a namnesty for political prisoners and reduces the terms of other prisoners.

After his accession, Emperor Hirohito received Premier Wakatsuki and the Chief of the Privy Council, expressing his wish that they continue in office.

The domestic political situation is uncertain. It is not known whether Premier Wakasutski will dissolve the Diet, as he had planned. It was announced that the Diet would formally open tomorrow. It is expected to adjourn the following day until Jan. 17.

The death of Emperor Yoshihito, as well as causing great sorrow to the Japanese nation, was a severe commercial loss. Retailers lost millions of yen because the death took place before the holidays, causing cancelation of purchases.

Hirohito Versed in Foreign Affairs.

Emperor Hirohito married Nagako, the eldest daughter of Prince Kuni, on Jan. 20, 1924. The imperial couple have one child, the little Princess Shigeko, born Dec. 6, 1925.

The new Emperor has had an education in both military affairs and diplomacy and is an officer in the Japanese Navy and Army. Recently Hirohito and the new Empress Nagako engaged an English tutor to perfect themselves in English, which, next to Japanese, has become the principal language in Japan. Hirohito speaks French and German well.

Foreign affairs have received Hirohito's close attention for many years. He keeps informed on what is taking place abroad not only through official reports but by reading several newspapers each day.

Hirohito is keenly interested in sports, by participating in which he keeps himself in good physical condition. Golf and tennis are his favorite games. He is proficient in archery and wrestling. He practices considerably with rifle, shotgun and pistol with good results.

COOLIDGE SENDS SYMPATHY.

Condoles Widow of Yoshihito and His Son, Emperor Hirohito of Japan.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—News of the death of Emperor Yoshihito of Japan was received today with deepest regret in Washington, where officials and others joined in expression of sympathy for the nation on the further side of the Pacific, whose relations with the United States have become increasingly close and cordial in recent years.

The friendly spirit of Japan and its manifest desire for cooperation were not forgotten in the expression of sorrow. References were frequent to the part played by the two countries in joint effort during the Washington conference in 1921.

President Coolidge sent messages of condolence and sympathy to the Empress Sadako, widow of Yoshihito, and the new Emperor, Hirohito, and Secretary Kellogg sent a message of regret to Baron Shidehara, the Foreign Minister of Japan. The message from the President to the Empress read:

Her Majesty Sadako, Empress of Japan, Tokio.

Mrs. Coolidge joins with me in heartfelt condolence in the great affliction which has befallen you by the death of his Majesty, your august husband. We extend to you our profound sympathy.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

The President's message to the new Emperor read:

His Majesty, Hirohito, Emperor of Japan, Tokio.

I desire to extend to your Majesty, on behalf not only of myself but of the Government and people of the United States, an expression of profound sympathy in the deep personal bereavement sustained by your Majesty and by the people of Japan by the death of his Majesty your imperial father.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

Ambassador Matsudaira of Japan made arrangements tonight for the embassy to enter upon a period of mourning of one year, with its flag flying at half-staff. All social functions will be abandoned, the events on the Winter calendar canceled, acceptances of invitations returned and no invitations accepted.

YOSHIHITO LONG AN INVALID.

Emperor Suffered a Stroke in 1921, Six Years After Coronation.

The Emperor Yoshihito had been ill for six years. His first attack was a stroke or cerebral hemorrhage, soon followed by pneumonia. His illness left him in such a weakened condition that his mind became affected, and since Nov. 26, 1921, his son, the Crown Prince Hirohito, has been Regent of the empire. For the last several years reports of the increasing illness of the Japanese Emperor descendant of 122 generations of reigning monarchs, have reached the world. He has occasionally gone out, but his condition left no hope for his ultimate recovery.

Emperor Yoshihito succeeded his father, Mutsuhito, on July 30, 1912, being officially proclaimed a few hours after the Emperor's death. He was the 122d male successor to the throne of Japan in his line. Born on Aug. 31, 1879, he was chosen as the successor to his father when he was 8 years old. He was not the son of the Empress, who was childless, but the third son of the Princess Yanigawara, one of the eight Princesses who became members of the last royal household after a recognized custom in Japan. Two older brothers of Yoshihito died in childhood, and the other children of the late Emperor, four in number, were girls.

From the time of his birth the health of the Emperor had been a matter of concern at court. His life was feared for many times when he was a boy. He suffered with an affected lung for a time, but in recent years his health had been thought normal, if not vigorous.

Noted for His Democratic Manners.

As a youth the Emperor was noted for his democratic manners. He had a modern training in the school at Tokio which is kept for children of the royal family, and his work was most carefully supervised. He paid particular attention to English, French and German, the sciences, economics and history.

When in school it is said that he used now and then to break away from the restraint of his guardians and visit the poorer sections of the city. He did not hesitate to buy and eat the baked sweet potatoes for sale there with the other students. Japanese of Western ideas remember him as the only member of a family that is regarded as divine who ever tasted a sweet potato direct from the cart of the peddler.

When he grew older he received a taste of both military and naval life, receiving the rank of Lieutenant General and Vice Admiral. He had a great desire to travel through the Western world, and plans were made for such a trip, when the war with Russia forced him to cancel them. After the war he was too much engaged with the duties of his position to leave the country. But he visited every part of Japan and seldom stayed in his palace more than half the year. He became familiar with the people in every corner of Japan and loved to appear unheralded at some rustic village. He showed a great liking for walking on such trips and visited many places out of the beaten paths.

It is said that his father once gave him this advice, which became a guide for his conduct:

"In the past those in high estate have shown themselves lamentably ignorant of those below them, and are often haughty and arrogant. I pray let it not be so with you, but at all times be ready to help yourself."

In scholarship and poetry the ability of the dead Emperor was recognized, but he fell below the level of his father, who had a high reputation in both.

First Monogamous Emperor.

The Emperor was married in 1900 to the Princess Sada, his cousin, a daughter of Prince Kujo. At the Peeresses' school she had made her mark as a bright scholar and was noted for her fondness for athletics. She was a follower of modern tendencies like the Emperor, and their marriage was celebrated in a manner new to Japan and remarkable for its Occidental nature. There was a great ceremony to which the court was invited and public celebrations.

According to Japanese customs of the feudal period, an Emperor had twelve wives, one of whom was the recognized Empress. The present Emperor was the first of his line to adopt the Western idea of monogamy.

A story is told that when the Awoyama villa of the Emperor was being constructed a secret room was in the plan as designed by the court architect. When the building was almost finished a court contractor came to make investigations and found the room that had never been officially known to him. He asked the architect about it, but obtained no satisfactory answer. The contractor then said:

"The Emperor should be a model for his subjects in every way. It is an unpardonable crime for his subject to provide a room for his Majesty that has to be kept secret."

The contractor then commanded that the secret room be done away with and it was removed.

Three Sons Born to Emperor.

Three sons were born to the Emperor, and for the first time in several generations the heir to the throne is a son of the reigning Empress.

Despite the modern tendencies of the Emperor, the ceremony that marked his accession to the throne was in accordance with the ancient rules. The ancestors of the Emperor were informed of the new ruler's accession, after which the Emperor and Empress worshiped by proxy at the shrine. Then the sacred sword, the necklace and the mirror, symbols of the supreme authority of the land, were bestowed upon him and the official seals were given to him. Then the officials gathered and offered homage. The Empress was present at the ceremony.

Although much exhausted by the long vigil at the bedside of his father, the young Emperor plunged at once into affairs of State and the same night issued his first decree calling an extra session of Parliament. He announced that he would follow the policies of his father in the modernization of Japan and at its outset his reign was hailed as a continuation of his father's "Era of Enlightenment."

In the short time that he reigned the Emperor did little to impress himself on the people. Marquis Saionji was the head of the Cabinet when he ascended the throne, and continued in that post for a few months. Then dissensions arose between the Minister of War and Saionji, and the Cabinet resigned last December.

Much to the dissatisfaction of the Liberals, Prince Katsura was named as Premier. He had been Lord Chamberlain, and it was said that he used that place to win the Premiership. It was also said that, contrary to unwritten law in Japan, he was using the ruler for political purposes. The popular feeling finally culminated in riotous demonstrations in Tokio and other cities. These forced Katsura out of office and Count Tamamato took his place.

Crowned on Nov. 10, 1915.

The Emperor Yoshihito was crowned on Nov. 10, 1915, although it had been planned a year earlier. His active reign began during the World War and extended to the difficult days of peace, when Japan played an important part in the determination of the Oriental problem caused by that conflict. It was not long, however, before the Emperor began to show the effects of the illness, which resulted in his giving up the throne. But in his brief term of activity he showed the influence which Western ideas had had upon him, equipping his palace with electric lights and taking up diversions and games which were wholly Occidental. But his health continued to fail steadily, and in November, 1921, he gave up the direction of Government to the Crown Prince Hirohito, who was designated Regent.

The Crown Prince shows none of the symptoms of ill-health which marked his father's youth and early maturity. He was born on April 29, 1901, and was proclaimed heir apparent in 1912, when his father became Emperor. He received a common school education in Tokio, and studied under private tutors in the Imperial Education Institute at Tokio. In the Spring of 1920 the Emperor, because of his illness, delegated some of his duties to the Crown Prince, and in 1921 he sent the Crown Prince on a visit to Europe.

CHICHIBU DUE TUESDAY.

Prince of Japan Expects to Reach Tokio on Jan. 16.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Prince Chichibu, second son of the Emperor of Japan, was on the high seas en route home when his father died. He is

Fetes of Charity and Business Organizations Usher in Christmas

COOLIDGE LIGHTS GREAT YULE TREE

President and Wife Join in Christmas Eve Celebration on White House Lawn.

THOUSANDS SING CAROLS

Head of the Nation Is Deeply Touched by Gifts From All Parts of the Country.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—At dusk tonight, under leaden skies that threatened to bring snow tomorrow, the electric lights flashed on the community tree south of the Treasury Building, and the national capital, led by President Coolidge, began its celebration of Christmas, which was featured by choral singing by thousands in the White House grounds.

The President walked through the grounds, accompanied by Mrs. Coolidge, to the big tree. At 6 o'clock he touched the button which lighted it and spread a brilliance of color over the scene, around which thousands of belated shoppers and Yuletide celebrants gathered. The Marine Band played appropriate music, which carried by radio to far corners of the country the news that President Coolidge was helping to usher in Christmas Eve.

Hundreds of automobiles were parked in the White House clipse to see the nation bagin its celebration of Christmas. As the lights came on motor horns were blown. Then the crowd stood in silence to hear the music of the Marine Band. It was a striking scene. Hundreds of children stood around the tree in wonderment.

The band played nearly an hour, inspiring the crowd with the music and preparing the children for their great day tomorrow. President and Mrs. Coolidge remained at the tree for some time, and, on the return to the White House, Mrs. Coolidge exchanged greeting with the children who came in her path.

Gifts Pour In at White House.

Mrs. Coolidge had previously attended the distribution of toys and turkeys to the poor at the headquarters of the Salvation Army and the Central Union Mission and went through the day distributing happiness to children, some of whom she caught up in her arms as she handed gifts to them.

This fourth Christmas of the Coolidges in the White House brought a generous outpouring of gifts and remembrances to the head of the nation and his wife. These came from all parts of the country, and included turkeys, fruits and personal gifts. All day long telegrams of good wishes poured into the White House. Thousands of cards filled the mail. The President let it be known that the country had remembered him and Mrs. Coolidge in many different ways and that he was most grateful of the spirit exhibited toward them.

The outdoor celebration closed about 10:30 o'clock tonight when the singing of the choir of the First Congregational Church in front of the White House ended.

President and Mrs. Coolidge stood on the portico surrounded by their son John and Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Stearns, their house guests.

The choir of sixty-five voices, led by Ruby Smith Stahl, sang a dozen or more carols, including "Bells of Christmas," composed by the Rev. Jason Noble Pierce, pastor of the President's church.

On the White House grounds were more than 3,000 persons. The music could be heard several squares away. The singing, such as has been held there for the past three years, has now become an outstanding Christmas event in Washington.

When the music ended the crowds returned to their homes to listen to the broadcasting of the carol concert, under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. S. Parkes Cadman's church in Brooklyn.

Gifts From President Today.

President Coolidge tomorrow will give Christmas gifts to the attachés and servants of the White House force. It is understood these gifts will be gold coins.

The three Christmas trees which are featuring the Yuletide decorations at the White House this year have been placed in the Blue Room, on the first floor. Among the tree decorations is a small figure of an elephant placed in such a position as to give the impression that the animal is nibbling at the tree.

No official explanation was offered for the presence of the elephant, but it is known that Mrs. Coolidge is not only an admirer of these little white ivory elephants, but, like many others, considers them lucky. It was recalled tonight that when the world series games of 1925 were played in Washington and Mrs. Coolidge was "rooting" for Bucky Harris's Senators she wore a necklace of white elephants—to bring them luck.

President and Mrs. Coolidge and their guests will attend the First Congregational Church tomorrow. There will be a family dinner at the White House at 7:30 o'clock, at which Attorney General Sargent will be the only guest in addition to John, the son, and Mr. and Mrs. Stearns.

Foreign Diplomats Celebrate.

Following the custom of their home lands, the Latin-American embassies and legations began their Christmas celebration this evening with supper parties for their respective staffs. Later many of the diplomats attended midnight mass in evening dress, with the women worshipers wearing the mantillas of Spanish fashion.

The German Embassy has always celebrated on Christmas Eve, and this custom prevails at the Austrian Legation.

The Belgian, British and French Embassies entertain at dinner on Christmas Day for members of their respective staffs.

The new Spanish Ambassador and Mme. Padilla, however, adopting the American custom, will entertain members of their embassy at dinner tomorrow in the Florentine Room of the Wardman Park Hotel, where they are residing temporarily.

'PLAYS DOWN' CRIME NEWS.

Boston Traveler Keeps It Off Front Page Christmas Eve.

BOSTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Crime news was banished from the front page of The Boston Traveler today, in deference, the publishers said, to the spirit of Christmas Eve.

For three successive years, now, The Traveler has appeared on Christmas Eve with crime news unobstrusively tucked away on the back pages, or inside pages. More than half of page 1 today was given over to Christmas stories.

Ford Introduces Children To 'Santa's Own Workshop'

DEARBORN, Mich., Dec. 24.—Santa Claus, who, it appears, is a very dear friend of Henry Ford, held open house just on the eve of Christmas Day, to the delight and surprise of 100 little boys and girls.

Escorted by Mr. Ford and his wife, the little folk drove through the night over a rough and tree-bordered path to the workshop of Santa Claus on the Ford estate here. And there was the smiling old fellow with long, white beard, in heavy furs, under a great Christmas tree.

The old fellow, who knew most of the youngsters by name, led them into his two-room log home, where a work bench stood loaded with nearly finished toys. Every bench, chair and rack was burdened with dolls, drums, mechanical toys and candy canes.

Wide-eyed with wonder, the children wandered about the shop receiving presents from Santa himself, who promised them he would visit them again Christmas morning, early.

HUNGRY MAN GIVES ONLY DIME TO SANTA

Steamship Fireman Arrested by Policeman Who Gave It to Him When He Begs More.

COURT COMMENDS CHARITY

Magistrate Weil Tells Richard Smith of Liverpool That He Is Needed in America.

Richard Smith of Liverpool, a former fireman on transatlantic steamships, felt faint and hungry yesterday morning as he walked penniless along Fourteenth Street. Near University Place he saw Patrolman Michael H. Murphy of the Mercer Street Station, who seemed at peace with the world. Smith hesitated an instant and then went up to him.

"I say, old chap," he began, "could you spare the price of a cup of coffee?"

"Sure I could," said Murphy.

The spirit of Christmas enveloped the policeman and he fished through an inner pocket, brought forth a dime, and dropped it into Smith's hand with a smile.

Santa's Plea Moves Him.

Fireman Smith thanked him appropriately and continued along Fourteenth Street. He had not gone far before he saw a Salvation Army Santa Claus, garbed in red and wearing a ridiculous set of white whiskers, who stood beside an iron kettle which hung from a tripod. He was ringing a bell monotonously. As Smith approached, Santa Claus turned to him.

"Please help buy Christmas dinners for the poor. Can't you spare something?" he asked.

"Sure I can," said the fireman.

The spirit of Christmas enveloped Smith and he fished through an inner pocket, brought forth a dime, and dropped it into the Salvation Army kettle with a smile.

The fireman strolled along with the crowd for a few minutes, looking into two or three gleaming shop windows, and then, without realizing that he had turned, started back toward University Place. Again he saw the benign features of Patrolman Murphy. They seemed vaguely familiar, but Smith's faintness had increased and he made a second appeal to the policeman, who arrested him on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Smith Explains His Charity.

"Your Honor," said Smith when arraigned before Magistrate Weil in the Tombs Court later in the day, "I was broke and I needed a cup of coffee. After the officer gave me the dime I saw the Salvation Army pot and I thought, 'Well, there are some poor devils worse off than I am,' so I dropped it in. I didn't remember the officer when I came to him the second time. I'll go back to England if you'll let me off and give me the opportunity."

Magistrate Weil looked for an instant or two at the wreath which hung over the door of the court room and the spirit of Christmas enveloped him.

"You are to be commended, Smith," he said. "We need such men as you here in America. I hope you remain here and become a good citizen. A Merry Christmas to you. You are honorably discharged."

FATHER OF EIGHTEEN FREED.

Judge Vause Fails to Carry Out Plan to Ignore Holiday Spirit.

Kings County Judge W. Bernard Vause less than three weeks ago told the Grand Jury to rule out Christmas sentiment and good-will in its dealings with crime. Yesterday the father of eighteen children was arraigned before him with the possibility of being imprisoned on Christmas Eve and Judge Vause relented.

With the concurrence of District Attorney Charles J. Dodd of Brooklyn he released the prisoner, Louis Orsano, 50 years old, of 153 Berry Street, Brooklyn. Orsano had been charged with petty larceny for the theft of a quantity of pig iron. He admitted selling the metal but insisted that he did not know it was stolen property.

"Christmas Eve is no time to keep the father of eighteen children away from home," Judge Vause said. "Go home and enjoy Christmas."

"Thank you," said Orsano, "Merry Christmas."

Five of his children are girls. The oldest is Dan, 24 years old.

PORTO RICAN SALARIES WAIT

Santa Claus Fails to Bring December Government Checks.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 24 (AP).—Santa Claus, for the first time in many years, will fail to bring the December pay checks to insular Government employes. Slow collections of taxes, together with requirements for interest on bonds and the retirement of an issue of bonds on the first of the year, have resulted in the treasury lacking sufficient funds for early payment of December salaries.

A shipment of 1,000 Christmas trees has been received from the United States.

SEAMEN OBSERVE HOMELAND CUSTOMS

Crews in Port Plan Elaborate Festivities and Some Will Drink Christmas Toasts.

TO SING YULE FOLKSONGS

Ships of Northern Countries to Be Gayest—Latins Will Keep the Religious Festival.

Foreign Yuletide customs will be observed in the celebration of Christmas on the numerous passenger liners and freight vessels now at dock along the city's more than four hundred miles of waterfront. The officers and men of the various French, Italian, English, Dutch, Spanish, Scandinavian and other vessels will keep the holiday in the manner of their homelands. In most cases the customary holiday punch will be missing, but on vessels of countries whose laws require a liquor ration the customary toasts will be drunk.

England will be represented by the White Star liner Olympic, on board of which four separate Christmas dinners will be held. One will be for the seamen and firemen, one for the stewards and one for the petty officers. The fourth one will be for Captain Marshall and his deck and engine room officers. He has recently been made an aide-de-camp to the King, and will appear in full regalia. It is the only time in the year when he dines with all of his officers.

The dinner will begin at 2 P. M. and will be the traditional English dinner. For the main course there will be turkey and roast beef, and the culmination will be a lighted plum pudding. Following the dinner there will be speeches by the captain and some of the officers, and the traditional songs of England, such as "Hearts of Oak," will be sung. Only the time-honored English ale will be lacking.

The seamen are not left out of the celebrations. They decorated their quarters with holly and built a manger of tinsel in the forecastle. Each of the four messes has a Christmas tree, while generally there is a competition to see who can make the best Christmas decoration. Last year the victor was a steward.

German Christmas will be observed on the Hamburg-American liner Deutschland, as well as on several smaller German vessels now in the harbor. German Christmas begins on Christmas Eve.

Last night each of the messes had a banquet and a Christmas tree, which was decorated in silver and white instead of many colors as is the case in this country. Gifts were exchanged between the men and nearly every sailor had a Christmas package from home. They contained gifts from their families and a large supply of such strange-sounding delicacies as "Lebkuchen," "Pfeffernuessl" and "Springerle." These are the sweet, spicy, home-made cookies which the German women prepare for the day.

A Swedish Christmas will be celebrated on the Drottningholm. Like the German Christmas, this began last night. Its principal part was a large banquet, which began with a table spread with "smorgesbord," as the Swedish hors d'ouevres are called. "Smorgesbord" is specially noted for the various sorts of sardines and herring and the delicious Swedish cheeses of which it largely consists.

Another important part of the dinner is the famous Christmas "lutefisk." This is dried cod, prepared so as to be both as white and as fluffy as snow and served with a creamy sauce. During a Swedish Christmas dinner a dish of boiled rice is always served. In this is an almond, and whoever gets it will be the first one to get married.

Christmas to the Latin nations is more of a religious festival, and so there will be little organized celebration on the French, Italian and Spanish liners in port. Little work will be done, however, and many of the men will visit friends ashore, but the elaborate preparations and the formal celebrations of the vessels of Northern countries will in most cases be missing.

THOUSANDS GIVEN IN GOLD.

Bonus, Insurance and Salary Increases Mark Connecticut's Christmas.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 24 (AP).—Christmas gifts in the form of bonuses, gold coins, insurance policies and salary increases were believed to have been greater throughout Connecticut this year than in several years past.

Hartford distributed $100,000 in gold coins and Meriden $50,000, while Bridgeport's total was 10 per cent. greater than in previous seasons.

Bonuses given to employes in Waterbury plants were estimated at $10,000, and employes of the International Silver Company in Meriden received $80,000 in bonus checks.

Five hundred employes of the Bassick Company in Bridgeport received certificates under a group insurance plan, the total being $400,000. Two hundred and fifty employes of the same company at the Meriden plant received $250,000 in insurance. Employes in the Newark, N. J., plant also come under the insurance plan.

Employes of Eastern Dairies, Inc., throughout the State also received insurance policies.

S. F. Peterson, Inc., of New London, gave each student and Faculty member of Connecticut College for Women a two-pound box of chocolates. The Stamford Gas and Electric Company announced, as its Christmas gift to 25,000 consumers, a reduction in the rates for gas and electricity.

OFFICIALS RECEIVE GIFTS.

Westchester County Employes Also Get Presents.

Special to The New York Times.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 24.—The Yuletide spirit pervaded the Westchester County Court House today. Gifts were distributed among the various county officials who in return presented holiday remembrances to their staffs of clerks.

County Register Franklin Montross of Peekskill received a solid silver tea set of six pieces with a large tray. Mr. Montross presented gold pieces to his large staff of assistants.

County Clerk Charles J. F. Decker received a silver fish tray with silver knife and fork. The presentation was made by Deputy County Clerk Frank A. Coffey. Mr. Decker had gifts for the clerks in the County Clerk's office, Election Bureau and Automobile Bureau.

Surrogate George A. Slater received binoculars from his staff. County Judge William F. Bleakley distributed Christmas gifts among his staff.

Frances Too Ill to Meet Santa in Hospital; Buddy Stops Her Tears With His Toy Elephant

Nicholas Vitzo Jr. and Frances Tadbato, each 7 years old, occupy adjoining cots in the children's ward of the Flower Hospital. Their attachment to each other is so marked that the hospital internes and nurses of the ward have dubbed them "Paolo and Francesca." Yesterday Nicholas repaid the debt he had owed for seven weeks to his little neighbor.

On Nov. 8 Nicholas was found in the gutter of First Avenue at Sixty-second Street, the toes on his right foot crushed. He was rushed to the hospital, where a blood transfusion was performed. For several days he lingered between life and death, unable to tell his name.

He recovered sufficiently to be moved to the children's ward, but was still unable to speak as he was wheeled in. Frances Tadbato, a pneumonia patient, turned to see her new neighbor, and called "Hello, Nicholas, what's the matter with you?" The little girl then told the nurses that, although her own home was at 2,725 Cruger Avenue, the Bronx, she had frequently played with Nicholas in Second Avenue while visiting her grandmother. Through her the hospital authorities were able to inform Nicholas Vitzo Sr. of 1,112 Second Avenue that his son was in the hospital, and not in the clutches of the blackhand, as he had feared.

As the children have slowly recuperated in adjoining cots they have talked of many things, but chiefly of the approaching visit of Santa Claus. Yesterday the great event to which they had been looking forward took place—Santa Claus visited the hospital and distributed presents to 250 children about a great Christmas tree in the dispensary.

Nicholas was wheeled to the party where he found in his stocking a bundle of toys, a box of candy, and oranges and nuts. Frances was told in a sorrowful whisper by Dr. Joseph Sileo that she was still too ill to be moved and that she could not attend the party. Her eyes quivered for a minute, but Nicholas had heard the sad news and told her, "Don't cry, Frances, half what I get is yours." Frances went to sleep last night with a toy elephant under her arm, which had been the finest prize in Nicholas's stocking.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT PERVADES THE CITY

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tions to get under way was that of the Salvation Army. Long before 10 A. M., the hour scheduled, lines of applicants for the bag of food given away by the organization were formed, extending east and west from the army headquarters at 122 West Fourteenth Street. The headquarters staff, most of whose members had been busy all night packing the bags, passed out 1,200 before the quota for that distributing point was exhausted.

At twenty-five other stations throughout the city the Salvation Army distributed more than 4,000 bags, each with foodstuffs to supply three meals for a family of five persons. All nationalities and creeds were represented by those who received the gifts. Some were young, many were old. As each recipient received a bag, the Salvation Army officer extended Christmas wishes. The replies came in a score of tongues.

Food and Toys Distributed.

The Volunteers of America had established distribution quarters in New Madison Square Garden, Eighth Avenue and Fiftieth Street. The distribution of baskets of food and of toys began at 1 P. M. and did not end until after 6 P. M. It was estimated that more than 2,000 baskets were given away. The dinners consisted of a five-pound chicken with potatoes, apples, bread, riche, coffee and several cans of vegetables.

The Christmas celebration at the immigration stations on Ellis Island was under the auspices of the welfare workers stationed there. By a dispensation of Commissioner Benjamin Day, 100 men and women deportées, of whom forty-five have served prison sentences, were permitted to participate.

The program was held in the auditorium of the Administration Building. At one end on a platform was a piano and chairs for the choristers. A trio, comprising an Arab, a Rumanian and a Czech, accompanied the carol singers. The program opened with all standing to "The Star-Spangled Banner." Italian and German carols were sung.

Several hundred employes of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company were entertained at a Christmas party in the rotunda of the Metropolitan Building. Carols were sung after a cornet solo. Bishop William T. Manning was a speaker. He commented on the appropriateness of business houses suspending to observe the day.

"This service," he said, "has been beautiful, but all the more so because it has been held in these surroundings and in a business institution. There is nothing in human experience like Christmas Day, and it is the happiest day that comes into our lives.

Tells of Good Influence.

"On Christmas Day Christ came into the world to bring a message of love, peace and good-will to all. It was God Himself who came to us in Christ and the powerful good that He has exercised in the lives of men since that day of His birth in Bethlehem is proof of this.

"If the teachings of Christ were followed as they should be, we all know what that would mean in human lives. Wars would cease, selfishness and unkindness would disappear and sin in all of its forms would vanish. The Kingdom of God, the Kingdom, that is, of love and hope and peace would be established in this world.

"Let us do all we can to help Him establish His Kingdom. Let us carry with the Christmas message the Christmas spirit into all the relationships in our lives, business, work, friendship and play. It will give us the strength to uphold us in all the experiences of our lives and we shall go forward into the new year with the song of the angels singing in our hearts, 'Glory to God in the Highest, on Earth, Peace, Good-will to Man.'"

Bishop Manning was introduced by Haley Fiske, President of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The Bishop also gave the benediction which, with a selection by the Men's Glee Club, closed the exercises.

Employes of the Consolidated Gas Company attended a Christmas party at the company's main building, Irving Place and Fifteenth Street. The program was arranged by the Women's Service Club. George B. Cortelyou, President of the company, and Walter R. Addicks, Henry M. Brundage, Colonel Oscar H. Fogg and George E. Woods, Vice Presidents, greeted the staff. Twenty members of the company's choral society sang and there was dancing to an employes' orchestra.

The hotels were gay with parties and the staffs had almost unbroken smiles. It was reported that hotel guests had been unusually liberal with tips this year. At the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel it was reported that one guests had distributed about $2,000 in checks, forgetting no one who had come in contact with him during the last year. Another guest distributed $800. Another handed out $500 in gold pieces.

Officials of the hotel received unusual gifts from patrons living at distant points. An assistant manager at the Waldorf-Astoria got a crate of celery from Colorado, a bag of pecan nuts from Louisiana and a crate of apples from Virginia.

Arthur L. Lee, managing director of the Hotel McAlpin, distributed 3,000 baby Christmas trees, 2,000 to guests and members of the staff and 1,000 to hospitals for crippled children. The McAlpin carol singers will sing in the lobby for twenty minutes this morning. Tonight in the main dining room Mr. Lee will have 300 crippled or blind children as his guests.

A great party was held in the children's ward in Bellevue Hospital. Nine Christmas trees, a little white poodle, Toto the clown and four singers with a harp of gold were provided by the New York City Visiting Committee of the State Charities Aid Association.

The party began at 1 P. M., and after Toto and his dog, Hughie Fitz, had amused the children, the carol singers made the round of the wards. They sang "Holy Night, Silent Night" in the prison ward, while white-faced men with the mark of drugs upon them, a huge negro with a bandaged head and all the rest of the flotsam and jetsam sat listening with inscrutable faces.

In the Italian quarter around Canal and Mulberry Streets more than 10,000 children found Santa Claus in the banking establishment of Di Sesa & Di Sesa, 114 Mulberry Street. The bank was host to the children who were given toys, clothing and candy. Colonel Nicholas Donald Di Sesa flanked the bearded St. Nicholas and joined with him in greeting the young guests.

Working through the Girls' Service League of 138 East Nineteenth Street, a group of young society girls of St. Thomas's Episcopal Church distributed Christmas gifts to eighty women in Jefferson Market Prison. The gifts included cretonne cases containing toilet articles ond boxes of candy.

The New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, 105 East Twenty-second Street, announced its plans for Christmas week among the 6,733 families which are being aided by the association. These plans included the gift to each child in each family of a large stocking filled with toys. It was estimated that 76,000 toys of all kinds and sizes will be given away by the association.

The Bronx Rotary Club dedicated a big spruce tree for the children near the Grand Concourse Hotel, Grand Concourse and 161st Street, yesterday. The Bronx club made gifts to 6,000 children between the ages of 4 and 15 years.

George C. Crowley, known as the "Christmas Daddy" because he originated the idea of Rotary Clubs making gifts to children in orphan homes at Christmas time, came from Arizona to attend the celebration. The children who received gifts were from the Catholic Protectory, Odd Fellows' Home, Hebrew Orphan Asylum and the Home of the Sisters of the Poor, Tarrytown, N. Y.

The Prison Association of New York continued its annual custom of giving Christmas dinners to the mothers, wives and children of men in jail. The dinners were distributed from the association's headquarters at 135 East Fifteenth Street. The dinners were supplied to 230 adults and to 350 children. Toys from a Christmas tree were given to the children.

Hubert J. Fugazy, sports promoter, was host to poor children near his office, 205 Thompson Street, last night. All who applied there got baskets of food and clothing. Mr. Fugazy, who was born in Greenwich Village, began his Christmas giving several years ago.

A party was held last night in the children's ward of New York Hospital, West Sixteenth Street, where Dr. Preston A. Wade appeared as Santa Claus. Gifts were distributed to the young patients and later a chorus of fifty nurses sang carols in the wards. Turkey dinners will be served throughout the hospital today.

At the Woman's Hospital, in 110th Street, part of the choir from the Cathedral of St. John the Divine sang carols and gifts were distributed. The Board of Governors of the hospital and friends of the institution contributed $800 to make the holiday season a happy one for the patients.

Lodge No. 1 of the Elks, in West Forty-third Street, will entertain 5,000 children at a Christmas party today and distribute $30,000 worth of gifts to the children's wards of the city's hospitals. From 11 A. M. to 4 P. M. today the lodge will distribute boxes containing clothing, toys, candies and fruits to children who have been chosen by various agencies. In addition to its Christmas presents for children the lodge will distribute checks for $150 to each aged member who is no longer able to work. Altogether the gifts are valued at $70,000.

Augustus F. Groll, Chairman of the Social and Community Welfare Committee, will be in charge of the children's party. He will be assisted by Timothy J. Mara, Joseph Conlon, William T. Phillips, Loney Haskell, John J. Martin, J. J. Tindale Jr. and Samuel R. Rosoff.

The annual Christmas dinner at the Brace Memorial Newsboys' Home, 224 William Street, will be provided this year by Thomas W. Lamont of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. in memory of Evert Jansen Wendell, "friend of boys worldwide."

A dinner and entertainment for drug addicts will be held at 8:13 o'clock tonight in the Workhouse on Welfare Island. During the day dinners and parties will be held in the United States Veterans' Hospital, 130 West Kingsbridge Road; at the Seamen's Church Institute, 25 South Street, where gifts will be given to 1,400 lonely sailors, and at the Roosevelt Hotel, where Edward Clinton Fogg, Managing Director, will be host to a group of World War veterans chosen by the Red Cross.

Three hundred people gathered at the Washington Square arch last night to sing Christmas carols under the auspices of the Washington Square Association. Despite the rain, the crowd of singers swelled as late shoppers, their packages under their arms, and residents of the neighborhood braved the weather to join them. A living Christmas tree was north of the arch and its lights were visible far up Fifth Avenue.

Under the leadership of Gustavus T. Kirby, President of the association, and Edward G. Steinert, Secretary, the carol singers walked to the Hotel Gonfarone at Macdougal and West Eighth Streets and sang in front of it. Gathering more recruits, they visited St. Vincent's Hospital at Seventh Avenue and West Eleventh Street. There Mother Superior Barromeo gave a welcome in behalf of the patients. Those upstairs who were able to leave their beds were in the hallways listening, she said, and those who could not get up asked to have their doors left open.

The singers broke up into three groups later and walked about the streets of Greenwich Village, stopping often to render their Christmas songs.

Christmas will be celebrated with a tree and gifts for the poor children of the east side this morning at the Marshall Stillman Movement Service Club, Robert Law Jr. Branch, 290 East Third Street. The gifts will be toys and clothing. Alpheus Geer, founder of the movement, will be in charge of the celebration. Dolly Kay of the Dolly Kay Club will be hostess.

34 HAPPY BOYS GET CHRISTMAS PAROLES

Reformatory Inmates, Their Terms Nearly Ended, Sent Home With $5 Bills.

RELATIVES AWAIT THEM

They Are Anxious to Go to Work—140 City Prisoners Are Freed for Holidays.

Thirty-four boys released yesterday morning from the Reformatory at New Hampton, N. Y., arrived at the office of the City Parole Commission in the Municipal Building shortly before noon and received their parole cards and a $5 bill from the Department of Corrections. Then they went back to society to enjoy dinner today outside a penal institution. The office of the commission, on the twenty-fifth floor, was a busy place for several hours. Mothers awaited the arrival of sons, sisters for brothers and brothers for brothers.

As the boys reached the office, they glowed with health and smiled with happiness. There was one woman getting on in years who had waited an hour or more. When the first group of boys entered, she pushed by them to one boy. They embraced and he went back to his place on line. A few minutes later he joined her and pressed into her hand the contribution of the Department of Corrections and they went on their way beaming smiles to every one. Others talked with an agent of the employment agency conducted by the commission and were assured of positions for Jan. 2. They left the office lugging their belongings and smiling. All agreed that they were not going back if they could help it.

Similar scenes were enacted at the workhouse and at the penitentiary where men and women were being released in time for the holidays. A total of 140 men, women and boys were paroled yesterday. Of this number, thirty-eight profited by a resolution of the commission adopted on Dec. 1, which called for the release of those who were scheduled for freedom between Dec. 25 and Jan. 10, providing the committing judge had no objections. No judge vetoed any recommendation for parole yesterday.

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WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Today was especially happy for sixty of the boys who are inmates at the Children's Village at Dobbs Ferry, as the authorities there allowed them to go to their homes for the holidays. The boys were placed on their honor to return to the institution on the evening of Jan. 1.

Unwatched and supplied with passage and a small amount of spending money, the boys, some of whom, the authorities at the village said, were at one time to be classified among the "bad boys," started for their homes in New York and elsewhere. The lucky boys have been especially trustworthy and have been inmates at the village for the last three years or more.

BIG FETES HELD DOWNTOWN.

Exchange Makes Merry—Curb Has Gifts for 2,000 Children.

The celebration of Christmas in Wall Street yesterday was widespread and reflected the satisfaction of the financial district at the close of a prosperous year. The formal Christmas parties, while better advertised, were only part of the Street's celebration. Brokerage houses and other offices kept open house throughout the afternoon.

The New York Stock Exchange's usual impromptu party was staged shortly before the close of the market. The floor of the exchange had been gaily decorated with Christmas greenery and the members gave themselves up to a spontaneous display of merry-making.

The members made up with shouts for the music that distinguished last year's celebration. Dignified traders danced vigorously around the floor and staged a series of war dances which entertained spectators in the galleries. As the gong sounded just before the close, clouds of confetti floated over the floor and the members set up a tremendous clamor.

Curb Entertains Children.

The New York Curb Market was host to about 2,000 children from charitable institutions. There were two large Christmas trees, a vaudeville show, the singing of Christmas carols and other features. Every child received a present. The party took place on the floor of the exchange, lasting from 3 o'clock until late in the afternoon. E. H. Whiting impersonated Santa Claus.

At the offices of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and the New York Telephone Company several thousand persons, incluing the Presidents and officers of the companies, joined in celebrations. The celebration in the American Telephone and Telegraph building centred around a large illuminated Christmas tree in the lobby on the Broadway side.

W. C. Merly of the Western Electric Company played the piano and T. M. Montgomery of the Commercial Department of the American Telephone and Telegraph led the singing. A crowd of several thousand persons completely filled the lower floor of the building, noontime passersby helping to augment the attendance of employes.

Walter S. Gifford, President of the A. T. & T., and Newcomb Carlton, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, were among those who attended. Among the A. T. & T. Vice Presidents who attended were Charles P. Cooper, E. K. Hall, E. S Wilson and H. Blair-Smith. Others were Major F. L. Devereux, Vice President of the Bell Telephone Securities Company, and J. D. Ellsworth, assistant to the President of the A. T. & T.

Telephone Company Celebrates.

About 3,000 persons assembled for the celebration in the New York Telephone Company building, in West Street. J. L. Turner of the Traffic Department led in the singing, assisted by A. E. Bradshaw at the piano. The program was transmitted from the lobby through loudspeakers to the dining room and lounge in the basement. James S. McCulloh, President of the company, attended. Also there were Tage P. Sylvan, Vice President, and P. S. Wiley, general auditor.

The Interstate Trust Company, of which former Governor George S. Silzer of New Jersey is the President, celebrated its first Christmas last night by throwing open its new banking quarters in the Chamber of Commerce Building for an old-fashioned Christmas party. Talks were made by Mr. Silzer, Vice Presidents Isaac Alpern and H. M. Stillman and other officers of the bank.

EVEN A TURTLE COMES TO MEET SANTA CLAUS

And His Youthful Owner Gets a Dog Collar for Him at Humane Society's Party.

A year ago Jim was wandering around an up-State swamp, doing all the things that turtles usually do. Happening to go for a swim one day last Summer he had the misfortune to bump into a fresh-air boy and promptly became a pet. He was well treated, but never quite acknowledged as being on a social scale with a dog.

Yesterday Wally, who doesn't want his last name used, please, saw a sign to the effect that the annual Christmas celebration for animals would be held under the auspices of the Humane Society, at 125 West Fourteenth Street. Children were invited to bring their pets, so Wally looked under the bed, aroused Jim from his siesta and trudged from East Houston Street westward. An hour later an extremely large patrolman saw a disconsolate looking boy standing on the edge of a struggling mass of pets and owners.

"What's the matter, kid? Want a dog collar? I'll go get it."

"Please, sir, just a very small one."

The patrolman battled his way into the riot and asked for and received the smallest collar the committee had. He then returned to Wally and asked for the dog. Jim was exposed and after a startled look around that worthy departed precipitately within his shell. The screaming of the multitude had been too much for his rustic simplicity.

"He won't come out again today," said Jim's owner, sadly starting homeward. "I think the collar's too big anyway."

As to boys whose fathers had never been bitten and thus still allowed dogs in the house, there were many at the party. Some carried small pups of apparently good breed, some whistled to dogs which obviously were not. In the latter category belonged Ted and his youthful master, one John McCann. John arrived early, but his stature is such that he made not a dent in the crowd. As he was about to give up some one led him through another door to the rear behind the table on which the presents reposed. After that an electrician of the building got Ted a collar, a soldier found a leash and a newspaper photographer presented a muzzle. As the pair started off, Ted looking discouraged at the new turn things had taken, the committee rather unkindly turned around and added a cake of soap.

In all, many hundred dogs, cats and horses received something. The latter, lined up for two blocks and drawing every conceivable sort of wagon, received apples, feed-bags, snow pads and blankets. Candy went to the children, Mrs. M. C. Colbert, a life member of the Humane Society, making a picturesque Santa Claus.

Chicagoans Adopt Many Orphans.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Homes of their own have been Christmas presents to scores of Chicago orphans this year. Ninety-six children were adopted formally through court channels in Cook County in December, William Golden, clerk, announced. One of them will receive his Christmas stocking tomorrow morning in the home of a millionaire and several were adopted into families with incomes running into six figures.

ADVERTISEMENT.

Daily Style Hint For Well-Dressed New Yorkers

NEW YORK, December 25—If "the stockings were hung by the chimney with care in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there" and you didn't find a pair of fur-lined or wool-lined gloves, make haste to remedy the omission. Clap-palms-to-ears weather stretches months ahead.

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CHRISTMAS FINDS LONDON SHIVERING

Brisk Weather and Coal Shortage Send All Who Can Afford It to Hotels' Festivities.

LONG QUEUES SEEK FUEL

King George Aids Windsor Poor—American Sends Christmas Card by Wireless.

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LONDON, Dec. 24.—Harassed by the coal shortage, menaced by a prospective increase in taxation, but blessed by clear, cold weather with a promise of snow and the possibility of skating, London prepared today to enjoy the Saturday, Sunday and Monday Christmas holidays.

The London railway terminals were busier today than the shops. Vast numbers left London for country homes and there was a tide of incoming travelers to spend Christmas in London.

The household coal shortage which has developed during the past fortnight—not because coal is not being produced, but because the railways and coal merchants have failed to cooperate in distribution—seemed even more acute in London today and led to some extraordinary scenes. Lines formed early this morning at the offices of one large company which had announced large stocks of fuel on hand. Women and children in the line had brought broken-down perambulators, barrows, home-made pushcarts and even paper bags in which to take away coal. Wealthier persons sent private automobiles on the same errand. In some areas people determined to keep warm over Christmas pulled down garden fences for firewood. Eight truckloads of coal ordered by King George for the poor of Windsor arrived today after having been lost for twelve days on the railways.

One result of the coal shortage was that many Londoners deserted their own firesides to join the revels at restaurants and hotels and to patronize Christmas entertainments in the theatres. All the hotels reported it the busiest Christmas they had known, in striking contrast to ten years ago when they were practically deserted. A number of Americans were among those giving parties at the Savoy Restaurant, including George Doran, New York publisher; Avery Hopwood, dramatist, and there were many American guests at a big party given by Senator Marconi.

Christmas Card by Wireless.

The first Christmas card sent by wireless reached Marconi House today. It was the photograph of an American prominently associated with American activities in Europe, and across one corner appear Christmas greetings. Copies of this new Christmas card are going by air mail to at least two European crowned heads and others have been addressed to British Cabinet Ministers.

It was announced today that the late Sir Adolph Tuck, Chairman and Managing Director of the famous Christmas card firm of that name, left a fortune of more than $1,500,000. He directed that any child marrying a person not of Jewish blood and faith should forfeit all interest under his will, but he gave to the trustee power to make payments for the benefit of any such child or its family not exceeding $1,300 yearly.

No Newspapers for Two Days.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The British population, after concluding its Christmas shopping tonight, settled down to a three-days' holiday. Every kind of business activity will cease until Tuesday morning. No newspapers will appear either to morrow or Monday, and the only knowledge the people will get of world happenings will be by radio and the Sunday papers, which will appear as usual.

All the members of the royal family, including the Prince of Wales, have assembled at Sandringham as guests of the King and Queen for Christmas.

Baruch Sends Radiophoto.

It was revealed here last night that the Christmas card sent to London by radio was sent by Bernard M. Baruch, former Chairman of the War Industries Board and well known in Wall Street. He dispatched a photograph of himself to the King and Queen of the Belgians, Premier Clemenceau of France, Lord Reading and Lord Rothermere of England and other European notables. This became known in Wall Street circles, although the Radio Corporation maintains the same secrecy in transmission of private photographs as it does with ordinary messages.

ANGORA ACTS ON TREATY.

Lausanne Compact With Us Is Sent to Chamber for Ratification.

ANGORA, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Lausanne Treaty between the United States and Turkey, which is meeting with opposition in the American Senate, has been deposited with the Turkish Chamber of Deputies, where the Foreign Minister, Tewfik Rushdi Bey, expects its prompt ratification.

The official Anatolian Agency quotes the Foreign Minister as saying that the treaty is "in perfect harmony with the new policy of Turkey, which is to establish the most amicable relations between Turkey and the civilized world."

"There never has been a hostile attitude between the two countries," Foreign Minister Tewfik said in presenting the treaty to the Chamber, "and at present there exists no question to resolve but that of consecrating mutually the relations already existing.

"You are perfectly aware of the great position of America in the political and economic world and of its amicable attitude toward us. It will therefore be very advantageous to reinforce relations between the United States, one of the great powers of the civilized world pursuing a pacific world policy, and our nation, which represents an important force in the Near East, which constitutes a proconguent of the development of civilization toward Asia, of which it is the political axis, and which also is firmly imbued with a desire for peace."

Sacre' College Greets the Pope.

ROME, Dec. 23 (AP).—Pope Pius today received the Sacred College, headed by the nonogenarian Cardinal Vannutelli, who presented Christmas greetings. The aged Cardinal delivered a short address of congratulations and good wishes to which the Pontiff answered, returning the greetings and speaking most affably of each Cardinal.

DRUMMOND THANKS US FOR AIDING THE LEAGUE

Secretary General, in Christmas Note, Pleads Patience on Limitation and Reduction of Arms.

GENEVA, Dec. 24 (AP).—Patience is necessary in the handling by the League of Nations of the questions of limitation and reduction of the world's armaments, pleads Sir Eric Drummond, Secretary General of the League, in a special Christmas and New Year's message to the American people. He declares, in his judgment, that even a slight success in the field of disarmament will be a glorious thing, and emphasizes that the League is hopeful of success.

The Secretary General pays tribute to American efforts to aid the League in this direction, remarking that progress has been achieved in the careful examination of all technical aspects of the subject by members of the League, with the help of non-members.

He adds that never before has such study been made of the question of armaments. Even "should unforeseen failure result, the attempt is worth making. Happily, among all peoples there is a universal aspiration for peace, and the League's efforts therefore should command that popular support in every country without which even Governments cannot act."

The message adds that the signing of the Locarno treaties and the entry of Germany into the League have greatly helped in the political reconciliation of Europe, so that the League can bend its energies to another great task for 1927—namely, economic reconstruction.

"Meetings of representative manufacturers, merchants, mine owners, labor leaders, agriculturists, economists and consumers held this year have prepared the way for the meeting here of the international economic conference on May 4, 1927. Just as the Brussels financial conference, summoned by the League in 1920, paved the way to financial reconstruction by emphasizing the principles of sound finance, so it is hoped the economic conference will perform similar tasks in the more difficult fields of economic reconstruction."

CAROLS SUNG BY 1,400.

Stokowski and Sousa Lead Christmas Eve Music in Philadelphia.

Special to The New York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Under the leadership of Dr. Leopold Stokowski, director of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, 1,400 trained singers assembled by the Philadelphia Music League ushered Christmas in tonight with a program of carols in Independence Square.

As searchlights flashed on and the Community Christmas Tree became ablaze, John Philip Sousa took his baton and led the United Police Band and the Civic Junior Band in a thundering rendition of "King Cotton" and "The Stars and Stripes Forever." The music of the band and the chorus was echoed for blocks in the downtown district. Crowds packed the streets about the historic square.

Mayor Kendrick, Mr. Sousa, Roland S. Morris, former Ambassador to Japan, and Owen Wister, the novelist, were speakers on Christmas programs. Mayor and Mrs. Kendrick were the official hosts of the carolers.

Postmaster Kemp announced that the Christmas business of the local Postoffice had broken all previous records and was almost equal to that of New York and Chicago. The mail was 10 per cent. heavier than in any previous year, he said.

WOMAN ENVOY RECEIVED.

Mme. Kollantay Presents Russian Credentials to Mexican President.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24 (AP).—For the first time in the history of the Western Hemisphere, a woman presented to the Chief Executive of a country her credentials as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary when President Calles received Mme. Kollantay, Russia's new envoy to Mexico, today.

After the formalities of the official presentation, the President and Mme. Kollantay chatted for fifteen minutes. Leon Haykiss, first Secretary of the Russian legation, who accompanied the new diplomatic representative, described the conversation as without political significance, consisting of exchanges of courteous observations customary on such occasions. President Calles said he was glad to have a woman accredited as a diplomat to Mexico, and Mme. Kollantay expressed her gratification at being stationed here.

The envoy wore a dark tailored suit, with a simple hat. She was watched by groups assembled at the entrance of the National Palace, and there was some applause as she arrived and departed.

ALL IN SING SING GET GIFTS.

1,565 Christmas Packages Distributed—Special Meal Today.

Special to The New York Times.

OSSINING, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Every man in Sing Sing prison, including Herbert Koerber, head of the cake-eater robbers of Queens, who killed Michael Mahairis in a Jamaica, L. I., restaurant, and fifteen other slayers in the death house, received a Christmas package today.

There were 1,565 packages delivered throughout the prison. In each was a gift of some kind, candy and fruit.

Warden E. Lawes, with the largest number of "star boarders" the prison has had for years over a holiday, prepared a Christmas dinner with chicken and the usual side dishes, which will be served tomorrow.

There were trimmed Christmas trees on the front lawn outside the walls, in the mess hall, in the chapel and in the hospital.

DEATH FOR JAVA REBELS.

Another Gets Life and the Fifth 20 Years in Prison.

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 24 (AP).—Death sentences have been imposed on three of the ringleaders of the insurgents who recently carried on disturbances in Java. A fourth leader of the unsuccessful uprising was sentenced to life imprisonment and a fifth to twenty years.

Trial of the ringleaders in the district Court of Justice caused the greatest interest in Batavia, and a strong police force was kept ready for any emergency.

The disturbances at various points in Java caused considerable alarm to the European population and were suppressed only by force of arms and wholesale arrests.

Dr. Kirk Fock, former Governor General of the Dutch East Indies, on returning from Batavia discounted fears of a Bolshevist menace in the colony, saying that it was entirely erroneous to talk about Bolshevism and communism in the Dutch Indies as the terms are understood in Europe.

Germans Propose World Holiday of Peace; Briand and Churchill for It, Loebe Against It

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BERLIN, Dec. 24.—The opinion of world leaders—statesmen, scientists, writers and financiers—has been sought by the Achtuhr Abendblatt, one of the leading German Liberal organs, on the subject of establishing an international annual holiday for the celebration of peace.

The replies, published tonight, show a wide divergence of view, political antipodes like Paul Loebe, the Socialist President of the Reichstag, and the Prince Consort of the Netherlands, by birth a German Prince, being united in opposition to the project, while Aristide Briand, the Foreign Minister of France, strongly favors it.

Curiously enough, no member of the German Government voices his views nor has any pronouncement been obtained from Washington.

M. Briand's reply was as follows:

"I am fundamentally favorable to everything that can result in creating new bonds between peoples. Nothing can contribute more toward closer relations than the strengthening of the peace idea, which must surely be promoted by the initiative your paper has taken."

Paul Painlevé, the French War Minister, welcomes the plan with equal warmth, but Viscount Cecil cautiously observes that England has "certain official holidays which it would be difficult to change and whose number can scarcely be increased."

Winston Churchill, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, expresses "whole-hearted sympathy" and so does former Premier Edward Herriot of France, Professor Alfred Einstein and Nicholas Murray Butler, the President of Columbia University, New York City.

Sir Eric Drummond, Secretary General of the League of Nations, declines to commit himself toward the question of creating "Locarno Day," as the Achttuhr Abendblatt proposes that the peace anniversary be called.

Count Aldrovandi, the Italian Ambassador at Berlin, is favorable and so is General von Deimling, the former imperial commander who organized the German Reichsbanner League for the Defense of the Republic.

The German husband of the Queen of Holland, however, writes:

"I am convinced that the neutral countries, happy that the frightful war is over, will not want to have a holiday which will force them to recall that terrible occurrence."

President Loebe of the Reichstag says that the time has not come for a world peace day because "it could be made ridiculous through some demonstration of armed force in Europe or elsewhere."

The opinions of German financial and industrial leaders coincide with Dr. Loebe's, while the German spokesmen for science, art and literature almost unanimously approve the "Locarno Day" idea.

EUROPE PICTURES US IN ROLE OF SCROOGE

Once Hailed as Santa Claus, America Now Holds Little International Good-will.

OUR AIMS MISUNDERSTOOD

But This May Be Due to Reticence of Our Ambassadors and Absence From Conferences.

By EDWIN L. JAMES.

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PARIS, Dec. 24.—There is little goodwill in Europe for the United States this Christmastide. Uncle Sam is the international Scrooge as others see him. He may have been the world's Santa Claus once, but that is all forgotten now. Today he is the object of almost universal and unanimous envy and dislike.

Whether it is a loss or a gain may be mooted, but the fact remains that the moral leadership of the world which America once thought it had, has gone into Limbo.

When peace-on-earth wishes go forth from Washington the rest of the world wants to know what Washington has done to help peace. It is ever emphasized that the two great efforts in recent times toward world understanding are the League of Nations and the World Court, from both of which the United States is conspicuous by its absence.

America offers the world the opportunity to come to its shores and disarm, but there is no drawing power in the invitation, for in these times America cannot lead the nations. Either they do not wish to be led the American way or they prefer some one else to do the leading.

The Lack of Understanding.

There must be an element of tragedy in all this; there must be hideous misunderstanding. If Europe misjudges the United States perhaps Americans also misjudge Europe. It is true that the United States has done things scarcely of a nature to please other nations, but, after all, it turned the scales in the World War.

Americans may have shortcomings which cause them to fail to measure up to the high standards they like to set for others, as well as for themselves. Is there not room to charge the mismanagement of international relations with the blame distributed on both sides of the Atlantic?

The motives of the American people are not and cannot be those which Europeans in general assign to them. On the other hand, the motives of Europe are not those which many Americans assign to them. There are millions of folks on both sides of the Atlantic with fairly good ideas, fairly good ambitions—all of them. Yet here, on Christmas Eve, eight years after the war of common effort, the nations are spitting spitefire across 3,000 miles of ocean.

If the observer who has watched the swing of the pendulum in the relations between America and Europe may be permitted an opinion, it is this: the United States does not do enough explaining. People over here cuss America and no one defends it. Virtue may be sure to triumph, but there are so many conceptions of virtue.

Our Ambassadors Reticent.

American ambassadors are notoriously reticent, whether through official fear or design. America is buying and equipping elegant embassies, but it remains true that European journalists practically waste their time in seeking information or explanations about the actions of the Washington Government from them.

What a difference from the British, who maintain everywhere information bureaus attached to their embassies. Not only does the United States do none of this work, but officially diplomats meet in world assemblies and America is generally absent.

Take a gathering at Geneva, or The Hague, or Paris, or London, to deal with international matters. What may be said about America goes unanswered, whereas others explain their words and actions. The American Senate votes reservations to World Court adherence which admittedly are not clear. Others ask the United States to discuss the matter and the reply is that the reservations must be taken or left. They were left.

In short, the United States has an international rôle whether it wants it or not, and at present it is playing that rôle with poor technique.

It is probable that unless America deigns to stoop from her mountainous and dignified pride, next Christmas will find Europe feeling as it does today, namely, that Uncle Sam may have a lot of goodies in his stocking, but the rest of the crowd hope they choke him.

Santa Arrested for Wearing Mask.

STAUNTON, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—Staunton's ordinance prohibiting the wearing of masks was invoked today and Santa Claus was the victim. He was presiding over a Salvation Army gift kettle when police summoned him to appear in court on Tuesday.

TREASURY ACTION STEADIES THE FRANC

Poincare Government Prepares to Stabilize at About 25 to the Dollar.

BUSINESS HELPED AT ONCE

Premier Is Credited With Shrewd Move That Will Check Speculation.

PARIS, Dec. 24 (AP).—French trade received an acceptable Christmas present today in the form of a steadied franc. Taking the situation in hand yesterday the Bank of France and the French Treasury succeeded in two days in putting the French unit on apparently solid ground through the simple announcement that they were ready to take or sell dollars and pounds to any amount the speculators wanted to buy or unload.

Reliable information is that the Government intends for the moment to keep the pound between 121 and 123 francs and the dollar at around 25 francs. This is taken as indicating that eventual stabilization will be in the neighborhood of these figures.

The movement in the direction of what was called semi-officially today "pre-stabilization" was well timed and carefully prepared. Premier Poincaré is understood to have made up his mind that the franc could not go any higher without greatly affecting economic conditions. Unemployment, while not yet serious, threatened to assume alarming proportions from the fact that it has been impossible for several weeks to do any business for next year's delivery.

Having plenty of dollars and pounds in hand the Government was prepared to grapple with speculators on both sides of the market.

The operation had a healthy effect upon general business. The Bourse, after an irregular session Thursday, showed considerable improvement today. The general opinion is that M. Poincaré has cleverly checkmated speculators who had been seeking indications as to the figure at which the franc was likely to be stabilized but were caught unawares by the sudden official announcement.

Paris Move Surprises Wall Street.

The French franc did not vary yesterday from the quotation of 3.96 cents, which is the equivalent of the rate at which it has been "stabilized" for the present in Paris. The announcement that the Bank of France will be prepared to buy or sell foreign exchange at that rate caused considerable surprise in New York financial circles. It was accepted here as a warning to speculators who have been buying the franc for a further advance.

The rapid upward movement in the franc, which has risen from a low point of 1.93¾ cents last July to a high point over 4 cents this week, has caused complaints of damage to business in France through falling prices and other accompaniments of deflation. The Government several times has indicated that it considered the advance too rapid and the present action was undertaken to check it. The nature of the undertaking shows, however, that while the Government for the time does not desire a further advance in the franc, it does not wish a recession from the present level.

There is much conjecture in Wall Street as to the level at which the franc ultimately will be stabilized. It was pointed out that there is nothing in the present arrangement which would prevent a higher level being chosen at a future date. The general belief here has been that a level higher than 4 cents would finally be chosen as the stabilization point for the franc. Holiday dullness has descended on the market, and transactions in the franc yesterday were very light.

FLY FROM LONDON TO CAIRO.

Three Women Make First Trip in a Passenger Plane.

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CAIRO, Dec. 24.—The first passenger airplane to arrive here from England reached Cairo this afternoon, carrying three women passengers, one of whom was Mrs. F. Evelyne Schopflocher of Montreal, wife of a prominent Canadian.

The plane left Croydon on Dec. 20 and made a successful flight over England, France and Italy, flying over Vesuvius at a height of 9,000 feet and swooping down directly over the crater, which was belching smoke clouds and flames. It then passed through the Straits of Messina to Malta, then across the Mediterranean to Homa, and descended to 300 feet across the Senussi territory between Benghazi and Sollum.

Mrs. Schopflocher gave a glowing account of the thrills, comfort and real pleasure of aerial travel. She wrote on a little Underwood typewriter part of each day, and even enjoyed her gramophone. The machine flew as low as fifty feet and as high as nine thousand at about 110 miles an hour. Captain Hinchliffe was the pilot.

Mrs. Schopflocher will visit the headquarters of the Bahai movement at Haifa, Palestine, then fly to Bagdad and continue for a lecture tour through India and Persia, lecturing on the League of Nations Union.

FRANCE PARDONS 6 RHINE GERMANS

President's Action Is Approved by Cabinet as a Way to Calm Germany.

TWO MEN HELD ARE FREED

But Berlin's Tone Remains Hostile to Convictions, Wanting to Have Sentences Set Aside.

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PARIS, Dec. 24. — President Doumergue, acting upon a petition forwarded to him on the advice of the Government by General Guillaumat, Commander-in-Chief of the French Rhineland Army, has pardoned the six Germans sentenced to jail by court-martial last Tuesday in the Germersheim affair.

This way out of what appeared an unfortunate and embarrassing position was found as a result of three days of active conversations between the various French Ministries involved and the German Ambassador, Dr. von Hoesch.

Practically everybody in this country was in agreement that the court-martial's decision was at least untactful, and the excited comment in the German press has had its echo in much criticism of military justice. It was, however, no easy matter to find a way of reversing the decision while paying full attention to all the rules of procedure involved.

Foreign Cabinet Approves.

Fortunately the Minister of War, Paul Painlevé, and General Guillaumat, as Commander-in-Chief in the Rhineland, were able to find precedents for the course which, in accord with the Foreign Minister, Aristide Briand, and later with a majority of the Cabinet, they considered essential, not so much because of German resentment outside the occupied areas, as in the interests of good relations between the occupying forces and the Rhineland peoples.

General Guillaumat was alone fully qualified to petition for the pardon of the offenders condemned by one of his own courts, but even he, before doing so, had to have the approval of the Government. This approval was asked in today's Cabinet meeting and at once accorded.

Thus has ended happily an incident which, in other circumstances and handled less skillfully, might have done much damage to the patient peace-building work of M. Briand and Dr. Stresemann.

Von Pawels to Return.

From Berlin the news has been received that General von Pawels will return to Paris at the beginning of the year with new instructions on two questions still in suspense regarding German disarmament—fortification of the eastern frontier and manufacture and export of half-made war material.

These two questions must, under the Geneva decision, be settled between the German Government and the Conference of Ambassadors before Jan. 31, when the Allied Control Commission is to be withdrawn. Failing settlement, the two questions will be dealt with by the Council of the League.

General von Pawels's new instructions will, it is hoped, enable a settlement to be reached. It is clear, however, that these new instructions will have to go a long way on the road toward meeting the allied demands if this settlement is to be reached without appeal to the League.

The British are firmly opposed to continuance of arms exports by German firms, and France's allies, the Poles, are similarly firm in their demand for the conversion of the Königsberg fortifications into something far less formidable than at present.

Germany will thus have a chance to show next month how she appreciates the beau geste France has made on Christmas Eve toward her mistaken Nationalist disturbers of the Rhineland peace.

French Free Two Men Held.

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LANDAU, Rhineland, Dec. 24.—Soon after the return of General Guillaumat to Mayence from Paris, Kegel and Rechter, two of the six Germans convicted of provoking Lieutenant Rouzier's fatal attack on their comrades, were released from the French military prison here this afternoon.

No reason was assigned officially for their liberation, but since the French authorities have placed no limit on their movements and are not keeping them under surveillance it is supposed that they owe their freedom to the full pardon signed by the President of the French Republic.

Holzmann, the only other German who has been in French custody, the others accused having fled out of the occupied area long before the court-martial trial by which they were condemned in absence, already has been liberated on suspended sentence.

Germans Cold to Pardons.

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BERLIN, Dec. 24.—The pardoning by the French President of the six Germans sentenced by the French court-martial at Landau is not calculated to still the German clamor against the verdict which acquitted Lieutenant Roucier, who killed one and wounded two during the street brawl in Germersheim.

The effect of the efforts of the French Cabinet will be negatory if no steps are taken to set aside the decision of the military court, which is regarded here as strongly biased and made in the same spirit of hatred of the German people which characterized the first days of the occupation and the Ruhr conflict.

Besides the political effect, which is tending to discredit the sincerity of French diplomats in seeking a peaceful understanding between the two nations characterized by Locarno, Thoiry and other conferences, there are signs that the general public is more prone to criticize the power of their former enemy and to uncover rankling hatreds.

One example of this is the release after a long period of suppression of he Famous Players film "Beau Geste," recounting the life of a recruit in the French Foreign Legion, which the Censorship Board suppressed—first, because the French Government expressed its disapproval and the Gering might injure Locarno; and, secphases of a Legionnaire's life in so atond, because it presented certain phases of a legionnaire's life in so attractive a form that it was feared it would act as a recruiting agent in enticing Germans to enlist.

The film has now been passed by the censors, risking the second reason but considering the first a dead issue.

With the signing of the Locarno compact the German press ceased the printing of numerous alleged injustices imposed by the occupation forces on the inhabitants. Even the Germersheim affair was told only briefly.

Since the court-martial judgment was pronounced the press is again beginning publication of daily differences between the people and the French military, demanding the complete evacuation and return of all German territory to the sovereignty of the republic.

PRE-WAR CHRISTMAS GLADDENS GERMANY

Country, Abounding in Comforts of Life, Is Lavish With Gifts on Happiest Yuletide Since 1913.

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BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Germany began tonight celebrating its happiest Christmas since 1913. The stockings are well filled and the trees are large and costly and heavily laden with presents. The necessaries and comforts of life are now abundant, and luxuries, which were not obtainable during the dark days of the war and the darker days of the inflation, are now plentiful. Time was the only limit to the amount of purchasing and the stores were crowded with people refusing to leave when the closing time was announced.

Charities are bringing joy to unfortunates, the municipal organizations and the Salvation Army vying with each other to bring the greatest amount of cheer. For the war cripples Santa Claus brought huge rations of food, clothing and cigarettes. In institutions for the homeless, tall evergreens, bright with colored tapers, sparkled with tinseled toys and the tables were bending with food.

For the blind, Berlin's best musicians and singers gave their services. Toys of every description which the imagination of the Harz Mountain Toyland is able to devise were carried by wagonloads to the various orphan homes and they were distributed to the tots by a real Santa, who, on account of the quantity of the gifts, was obliged to abandon reindeers and use auto trucks. Even those serving prison sentences were not forgotten and the regulation prison fare was replaced by viands fit for kings.

President von Hindenburg is having a very quiet celebration with his son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren at the Executive Palace. The President is submerged under a flood of gifts from all parts of the country. Throughout the day wagons and pages delivered at the Presidential Palace geese, carp and other edibles sufficient to feed dozens of families. These presents the President turned over to hospitals and orphanages.

RUBBER STILL STEADY ON LONDON MARKET

Tin for Near Dates Is Pressed for Sale, but Lead Falls Off—Market Closed Till Tuesday.

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LONDON, Dec. 24.—Rubber plantation grades remain steady. The first crêpe spot sold at 1s 6¾d per pound and buyers smoked sheet spot, and December from 1s 6⅞d to 1s 7d and value, aJnuary at 1s 7d, and buyers, January to March, from 1s 7¼d to 1s 7⅜d and sellers, April to June, from 1s 7⅜d to 1s 7½d and value.

In the shipment market smoked sheet from January to June sold at 1s 7½d, crêpe, January to March, at 1s 7⅜d, April to June at 1s 7½d c. i. f. New York.

Grades of steady, hard fine spot are quoted at 1s 4¼d, soft at 1s 2d, ball at 11d for sellers.

The market is now closed until Tuesday morning.

A cablegram from the Straits gave 125 tons of tin sold at £304 10s c. i. f., an advance of £1. Near dates were rather pressed for sale. On balance cash was £1 lower and three months were 5s higher. Sales of 800 tons cash were made at £303 10s to £302 15s cash. today; £303 to £302 15s for December, £303 to £303 5s, for January £303 10s to £302 10s to £303 5s; February £301 to £300 15s; March for £297 10s and three months £297 10s to £296 10s to £296 12s 6d.

The settlement price was £303. English prices closed quiet at £302.

There was a decided falling off in the demand for lead but values were maintained. On balance good soft foreign lead for near dates were unchanged and forward at 1s 3d lower. Sales of 300 tons for January were made at £29 6s 3d and for March at £29 8s 9d. The settlement price was £29 2s 6d. English prices were steady and unchanged at £30 15s.

TROCADERO PALACE FOR LEGION IN PARIS

It Will Seat 30,000 Delegates—The "40 and 8" Will Have the Hotel Palais d'Orsay.

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PARIS, Dec. 24.—The business session for the 1927 Paris Convention of the American Legion will be held in the Trocadero Palace, it was announced today. The beautiful hall, situated in the heart of the residential district, will provide the 30,000 delegates a unique setting for their official national gatherings.

The "40 and 8," the play and fun society of the Legion, will have the Hotel Palais d'Orsay as headquarters.

General Albert Greenlaw, resident member of the French Convention Committee, made known these two facts today upon the eve of his departure for America to attend the Executive Committee sessions in Indianapolis.

He will return to Paris the middle of January. The General expressed himself as highly pleased over the preliminary plans for the housing and entertainment of the new expeditionary force.

BISHOP STIRES IS HOST.

Entertains 200 Children at Court House in Mineola.

MINEOLA, L. I., Dec. 24.—The Right Rev. Ernest M. Stires, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Long Island, entertained 200 poor children today at a Christmas party in the Nassau County Court House here.

"Be kind to every one," he advised. "If you are angry, don't show it."

Shoes, candy, toys and other Christmas gifts were distributed to the children by Santa Claus, a rôle assumed by August Wiehaus, County Detective attached to the Children's Court.

Charge purchases will be billed February 1st.

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HENRY FORD ON INSTALMENT SELLING.

Henry Ford's ideas regarding buying on deferred payment plans, his opinions on foreign markets, his own plans for the future, are discussed in an interview with the Detroit manufacturer published tomorrow in The New York Times.—Advt.

DEBUTANTES BOW ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Katherine Ogden Introduced by Col. and Mrs. Driggs at Dinner Dance at the Ritz.

EDNA BROKAW PRESENTED

Parties Given Also for Harriet Haight, Florence Rossin, Aurelle Murchison and Nina Skidmore.

Many parties were given last night in celebration of Christmas Eve, enlisting the entire number of débutantes of the Winter. One of the largest was the dinner and dance at the Ritz-Carlton, given by Colonel and Mrs. Laurance La Tourette Driggs to introduce Miss Katherine Ogden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ogden, who is the niece of Mrs. Driggs. At the Park Lane Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Brokaw gave a dance to introduce their second daughter, Miss Edna Loew Brokaw.

Another large gathering of the night was at the Ambassador, where Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherman Haight of this city and Unity Lodge, New Lebanon Centre, N. Y., gave a dinner and dance in the Italian Garden for their daughter, Miss Harriet Everest Haight, who was introduced earlier in the season at a large afternoon reception. There also were luncheons and many dinners were given in advance of the dances.

Dinner and Dance for Miss Ogden.

The dinner for Miss Ogden was served at three large tables in the Crystal Room of the Ritz-Carlton, the decorations of the tables and room being in keeping with the season. When the room was darkened at midnight a huge Christmas tree in the centre of the room was illuminated with hundreds of colored electric lights. There then appeared singers of carols dressed in old English costumes, whose program included, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," and many other ancient carols. In conclusion "Auld Lang Syne" was sung, then followed an interesting ceremony. As the birthday of Miss Ogden is on Christmay Day, in honor of the occasion Miss Ogden cut a huge birthday cake which was placed on her table and which was distributed among the guests.

After dinner Colonel and Mrs. Driggs and Miss Ogden went to the entrance of the ballroom, where they greeted many guests who came from dinners and other dances. They stood in front of a bower of Christmas greens on which were hung gilded baskets of red poinsettias. The ballroom was massed with fir, cedar and silver birch trees. The balconies and upper walls were screened with frosted smilax and Florida moss. These decorations were brightened with a great quantity of red poinsettias.

The Guests.

Their guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Trecartin Ogden, Mrs. Alfred Ogden, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kingsbury, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stewart Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Murray Williams, Mrs. Francis Martin Savage, Colonel and Mrs. George W. Burleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Culver McWilliams, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Holt, Miss Emily C. Chauncey, William Chadbourne, Leeds Johnson, Houston Driggs, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Ayers, Mrs. Edward Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. Philip G. Cammann, Mr. and Mrs. Melbert B. Cary, Mr. and Mrs. Lockett Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Eliot Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Melbert B. Cary Jr., Mrs. Henry Woodward Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Fletcher Driggs, Mr. and Mrs. Howard R. Driggs, General and Mrs. Hugh Drum, the Rev. F. Ward Denys, Mrs. Lewis A. Eldridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyttleton Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Green, Mr. and Mrs. Otto H. Gruner Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Hatch, Mr. and Mrs. William Warner Hoppin, Mr. and Mrs. G. Evans Hubbard, Mrs. Hamilton L. Hoppin, Mrs. Edward S. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. John Iselin Jr., Captain and Mrs. Henry Martin Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Russell K. Jones, Mrs. Hart Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Stewart Kilborne Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Reed Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Russell C. Leffingwell, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Low, Grover Loening, Mr. and Mrs. Martin W. Littleton Jr., Mrs. John Purroy Mitchel, Mr. and Mrs. Courtlandt Nicoll, Mr. and Mrs. Livingston Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt Pell, Mr. and Mrs. Fal de Saint Halle, Mr. and Mrs. Norrie Sellar, Mr. and Mrs. Francis R. Stoddard, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin P. Shattuck, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clarkson Scott, Mrs. Henry Suydam Satterlee, Commander Silvio Scaroni, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tilt Jr., Mrs. M. Banks Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George H. Vaughn Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Whitridge.

Also the Misses Margaret Lee Haggin, Frances Hand, Mary Holland, Mary G. Hoppin, Rachel Hammond, Frances Heckscher, Hope and Hester Hewlett, Margery Heather, Kathleen Howell, Elizabeth Hamilton, Agnes Howell, Eleanor A. Hewett, Elizabeth Henning, Mary Hammond, Marie Iselin, Audrey Joel, Elizabeth James, Mary Keough, Elizabeth Kendall, Dorothy Ledyard, Lucy Leffingwell, Mary R. Lambert, Elizabeth Litchfield, Katherine Lapsley, Emily Lincoln, Mary Merrill, Virginia Morris, Camille Miller, Peggy Miller, Alma V. Murray, Mary Minor, Alice Leonie Moats, Elizabeth Nickerson, Marjorie Oelrichs, Beatrice Patterson, Eunice Putnam, Margaret Partridge, Sarah G. Quimby, Jeanne Reynal, Adele Reynal, Almira G. Rockefeller, Helen Runkle.

Helen Rust, Cornelia Robb, Gwendolyn Rose, Carol Rhoades, Elizabeth Sprague, Mary Smedberg, Elizabeth Stillman, Iris Sellar, Frederica Stevens, Frances Seymour, Jean Sears, Lilian Tingue, Helen Train, Amy B. Trainer, Susanne Tilton, Beatrice Terry, Harty Tilton, Marguerite Taylor, Dorothea Villard, Fanny Wickes, Grace Wallace, Carola D. Winter, Eva D. Wise, Edith Woodward, Ellen Whitman, Janet Whitman, Helen Ward, Sarah E. Williams, Evelyn Whitehouse, Helen Wilmerding, Aline G. Woods, Eugenie Woodruff, Ann Stuart-Wortley and Elizabeth Wyatt.

Others were the Misses Maud Bouvier, Jean Cochran, Priscilla Dodge, Genevieve and Constance Fox, Cecilia Fuller, Elizabeth Gleason, Jean Graves, Judith Hamlin, Martha Kountze, Clare Kellogg, Janet Lee, Lydia Look, Hope Livermore, Jeanne Leonard, Charlotte Littlejohn, Peggie Phipps, Mary B. and Helen Potter, Mary Rawlins, Gwendolyn Talbot, Katharine Tod, Grace Tingue, Marion Wickes, Elizabeth Woodward, Mary Frances Wey, Charlotte Brown, Kathryn Wylie, Rossmond S. Auchincloss, Theodora Ayer, Elsie Barber, Mary Garland Brannon, Claire Birge, Elliott O. Blanc, K. Temple Biddle, S. Louise Bigelow, Jane Hamilton Brady, Mary Marvin Breckenridge, Margaret Brett and Katherine Boston.

Lucie E. Bedford, Eleanor W. Boardman, Sarah Barney Bartlett, Beatrice Bell, Jean Boswell, Noel Chatillon, Caroline Curtis, Caroline Clarke, Helen L. Coley, Madeline and Lettys Curtis, Emily L. Cornell, Virginia Chapin, Louise Coburn, Katherine and Ellen Comly, Edith Darrach, Constance Dane, Marion DuBois, Charlotte Driggs, Elizabeth Danforth, Jane Erin Emmet, Jane T. Ely, Elizabeth Eldridge, Emily D. Floyd, Eleanor Fitz Gerald, Victoria Frelinghuysen, Catherine Fuller, Priscilla Fairchild, Eugenie L. Finn, Margaret Fletcher, Alice Graeme, Margaret Gallatin, Sophie Gay, Adelaide Greenleaf, Cordelia Gurnee, Helen Gray, Margaret Hatch.

Among the Men.

Among the men were Carman Hewlett, Thomas Hitchcock Jr., Walter Hines Jr., William and Peyton L. Hinkle, John Hough, John J. Hollister, Nelson Holland, Arthur B. Hoff Jr., William B. Hornblower 2d, Henry Howard, Nathaniel and Philip Howe, William W. Hoppin Jr., Frederic G. Hoppin, Warren Hoagland, Richard Hurd Jr., Clement G. Hurd, Henry Lee Hudson, C. O. D. Iselin, Chauncey B. Ives, Gerard M. Ives, John C. Juring 3d, E. Kenneth Jenkins, R. Keith Kane, Terrence J. and Hugh Keogh, John P. Kellogg, Jack M. Kingsley, Donald Kip, Francis W. LaFarge, William Langmore, Wilfred B. Langmore, Dudley B. Lawrence Jr., John L. Lawrence Jr., George Laimbeer, George Legg Jr., John W. Livermore, Ethelbert H. Low, Livingston Longfellow, William T. Lusk, Louis Lusk, John Lockwood, David I. Mackie, Graham Mattison.

Harold C. Mathews, Edward H. McCagg, Marshall MacDuffie, Daniel M. McKeon, Huntington McLane, Henry R. McLane Jr., Percy S. Melville, Beverly Mills, Noel Moulton, Horace Moorhead, George L. K. Morris, Ogden Nash, Charles McK. Norton, Benedict and Lawrence Nott, J. Willetts Outerbridge, J. Lawrence Pool, Theodore H. Price Jr., Hendrick V. Pruyn Jr., Howard Quimby, William Raymond Jr., Charles F. Richards 2d, Ralph Rogers, Frederick Rogers, James Roosevelt, Geoffrey Robbins, Glendening Ryan, Dwight Sage, Henry L. Satterlee Jr., Whitney Satterlee, Henry Schroeder Jr., Norrie Sherman Sellar Jr., Henry Jackson Sillocks and F. Morgan Palmer.

Others were Oliver Ames 2d, Thomas W. Armitage, Philip G. Bartlett Jr., Pierre Barbey, Peter Ballantine, John B. Ballantine, Gordon Knox Bell Jr., Julius Birge, Gillette Bird, Harrison Bird Jr., Robert O. Bishop, Albert S. Bigelow, Edgar Witherbee Black, Thatcher M. Brown Jr., F. Gordon Brown, Ernest B. Burton, Harrison H. Buck, William A. M. Burden, Robert W. Canfield, Carter B. Carnegie, Anthony D. Cassatt, Pierce Cameron, Allison Choate, Edmund Cluett, George C. Clark Jr., Forrester A. Clark, Howard Clark, William Connor, Ralph G. Coburn, Joseph P. Cotton Jr., George Coggill Jr., Robert Colgate, John K. Colgate, Hugh Collins, Godfrey Connfelt, Gerard H. Cox Jr., Henry I. Cobb, Charles E. Crandall, Henry S. Cram, John W. Gross Jr., Frederick P. Delafield, Robert Debevoise, John W. Delafield, Henry L. de Rahm, William K. de Rahm, Charles H. Dickerman, Edward R. Duer, George H. Danforth 3d, Nicholas W. Danforth, Gordon Douglas Jr., Chester Dane Jr., George H. Darrell, C. Douglas Dillon, Charles W. de Forest, Charles B. Delafield, James M. Doubleday, Chester Doubleday, Sherlock Davis, John W. Davis Jr., Joseph du Vivier, Marshall Driggs, Francis H. Eldridge, William T. Emmet, Leonce Fuller, F. Herman Gade, Ogden Goelet, Austin Townsend Gray, Winston Guest, Walter Gurnee 3d, Thomas Palmer, Nicholas P. Palmer 3d, Harrison Parker Jr., Henry D. Parish 2d, Francis L. Pell Jr., John S. and Hubert Phipps, Henry H. Pierce Jr., G. Wilson Pierson, Henry L. Pierson, Paul Norton Smith, James H. Smith 3d, Austin Smithers, Robert M. Snodgrass.

Dance for Miss Edna Brokaw.

At the Park Lane last night Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Brokaw gave a large supper dance to introduce their second daughter, Miss Edna Loew Brokaw. The ballroom was decorated with holly and evergreens and in each corner there was a huge Christmas tree with varicolored electric lights. Shortly after midnight supper was served in the Tapestry Room.

The guests included débutantes of this season and last. Among them were the Misses Shirley Behrl, Lily Cushing, Lydia Dadmun, Rosamond Auchincloss, Mary Ames, Adelaide Hutton, Margaret Davison, Lucie Bedford, Anne King Carley, Pauline and Priscilla Dodge, Clara Kellogg, Florence Kip Clarke, Frances Heckscher, Alexandra Dalziel, Audrey Lewisohn, Helen and Polly Potter, Dorothy Milburn, Estelle Manville, Hope Iselin Livermore, Margaret Sparrow, Violet Tangeman, Grace Vanderbilt, Alixe Walker, Bay Morris, Natalie Reynal, Anita Potts, Emily Lincoln, Natalie Ponvert, Katharine Steele, Frederic Stevens, Nancy Trowbridge, Frances Tenney Barbara Van Rensselaer, Katherine van Heukelom, Iris Sellar, Cornelia Robb, Camille Miller, Laura Harding, Marie Iselin, Edyth Elliman, Jane and Elizabeth Ely, Constance Dane, Sylvia R. Hillhouse, Lilias and Hope Hollins, Isabel Kemp, Carola Kip, Elizabeth Kountze, Adele and Natalie Ryan, Margaret Kahn, and Laura Robinson.

Dinner and Dance for Miss Haight.

The guests of Mr. and Mrs. Haight at the dinner for their daughter, Miss Harriet Everest Haight, was served at several tables in the Italian Garden of the Ambassador. Miss Haight is a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hoyt and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Abner S. Haight of this city. A feature of the decorations in the garden was a brilliantly illuminated Christmas tree from which were distributed gifts to the guests. One of these was an order for a portrait to be painted by a prominent artist. Dancing followed in the Louis XV room.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Basil B. Elmer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. James Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Linsley, Mr. and Mrs. Welles L. Riley, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Barclay, Dr. and Mrs. William M. Bradshaw, Dr. and Mrs. Royal Haines.

Also the Misses Elizabeth Malburn, Alice Parsons, Eunice Putnam, Ann Petrasch, Jean and Constance Regan, Lulu Simmonds, Judith Shearer, Elizabeth Stout, Eunice Smith, Frances Townsend, Beatrice Terry, Nancy Trowbridge, Elizabeth Welsh, Eva Wise, Mary Walker, Helen Wilmerding, Suzanne Armstrong, Claire Birge, Louise Bigelow, Shirley Behr, Mary Breckenridge, Josephine Barclay, Eleanor Bronaugh, Sally Butler, Ruth Baldwin, Leila Baldwin, Eleanor Boardman, Cornelia Curtis, Helen Coley, Virginia Cowperthwaite, Mallory Davis, Antoinette Dominick, Margaret Edwards, Elizabeth Eldredge, Doris Borden, Carol Rhoades, Mary Holland, Constance Hand, Jane Drouillard, Louisa Jay, Esther Dette, Jane Ely, Catharine Fuller, Virginia Gordon, Margaret Hatch, Eleanor Hewitt, Marjorie Heather, Nancy Hough, Sarah Heaton, Grace Hays, Mary Hincks, Jean Ickleheimer, Elizabeth James, Ruth Jones, Lucy Leffingwell, Marjorie Larned, Louise Laidlaw, Elizabeth Litchfield, Mary Lambert, Mary Minor and Dorothy Milburn.

Among the men were Gilbert Quackenbush, Linsley Quaintance, John Ross, Alexander Smith, Duncan Sterling, Victor Sutro, Willis H. Satterthwaite, Arthur Sherman, Charles H. Simmons Jr., John Trask, Vincent Villard, John S. Wise, Frederick A. Walsh, John Averill, Thomas Armstrong, Thomas Armitage, Frank Batcheler, Clifford Brokaw Jr.

J. Cable Breckenridge, Charles D. Breckenridge, Edgar Baker, Arthur Barker, Rene Bellinger, Goodwin Cook, Locket Coleman, Clifford Read, Nelson Holland, Carleton Smith, Leighton Meserve, Edward R. Wardwell, Norman Parsons, John H. Wise, Charles H. Duell, Allan Grover, John Ellsworth, Reginald Root, Lancelot Rose, Arthur Borden.

Allen Campbell, Allison Choate, Theodore Dominick, George Danforth, William Edgredge, Frances Eldredge, Oliver Edwards, Clarence Elmer, John C. Francis, Barton Griffin, Henry Garrison, George W. Haight, Everest D. Haight, Gordon Haight, Eric Haight, Mark H. Haight, Charles S. Haight Jr., John Hough, William H. Hamilton Jr., Abbot K. Hamilton, Warren Hoagland, Clinton Hollister, William M. Hinckle, John Lockwood, Charles Lowrie, John Lewis, Frederick Lewis, Robert Livingston.

Supper and Dance for Miss Rossin.

Adolph Lewisohn gave a supper and dance at his home, 881 Fifth Avenue, last night for his débutante granddaughter, Miss Florence Rossin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. Rossin of 40 East Sixty-eighth Street. The ballroom was decorated with evergreens and holly. Christmas trees stood before an open fire. After supper the men, all wearing masks, presented favors in Christmas stockings to the ladies.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Myron J. Borg, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Julius O. Adler, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Ackerland, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bernhard, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Berolzheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frank Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lewisohn, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lehman, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Warburg, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Limburg, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Limburg, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mack Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hirshorn, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Slade, Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Warburg, Mr. and Mrs. John Borg and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heming.

Others were the Misses Sybel Bayer, Nancy and Susan Carns, Margaret Case, Betty Brown, Frederica Bernhard, Ruth Eastman, Margaret Hellman, Esther Ehrman, Doris and Aline Hofheimer, Jane Hilder, Marjorie Harlow, Margaret Carns, Rhoda Hellman, Susan Kronthal, Fay Lewisohn, Adelaide Reckford, Florence Selwyn, Matilda Samstag, Evelyn Weil, Ruth Norman, Lucille Shamberg, Eleanor Liebman, Helen Lehman, Hazel Seligman, Delia Wolf and Pamela Henry.

Also Harold Bache, Cleveland and Calvin Demarest, Earle J. Farnsworth, Robert Gray, Franz Lewisohn, William Pickard, Charles Thompson, Alan Wolf, Richard K. Wallack, Harold Bull, Roy Belmont, Ehrich and Robert Ellinger, Mortimer Fox Jr., Louis Gimbel Jr., Adam Gimbel, Randolph Guggenheim, Harry and Albert Hockstater, Robert Minton, Atherton Messmore, George Oppenheimer, Laurent Oppenheimer, Edgar Rossin, Joseph and John Reckford, Ralph Straus, James Sachs, Walter Strauss, Edward Warburg, James Wolf, Albert Wittenberg Jr. and Lewis Young.

Miss Murchison Entertained.

In advance of the various dances of the night Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Murchison gave a dinner at Pierre's for their débutante daughter, Miss Aurelie de Mauriac Murchison. Their guests included the Misses Ottilie Schreiber, Mildred van der Poel, Barbara Van Rensselaer, Marguerite Gillison, Louise Herndon, Eugenie Woodruff, Sara Chisholm, Louise Coburn, Carroll Ferguson, Camille Miller, Aline Woods, Priscilla Fairchild, Rita Manning, Betty Hamilton, Betty Jenney, Mary C. Whitney, Audrey Joel, Betty Hanna, Frances Tenney, Sally Quimby, Margaret Gould, Hope Richardson, Ethel Schniewind, Jean Cochran, Constance Dane and Katherine Murchison.

Also Gray Foster, Horace Morehead, Henry Wilmerding, John Claiborne, George Huhn, Barrymore Glave, Richard Rose, Morton Curran, William Van Cleat, J. Nevett Steele, 3rd, John H. C. Steele, Wellesley Wright, Richard Peabody, Duncan Wright, Thomas Kendall, Gordon Jones, Howard Quimby, Clement Hurd, James Green, Ashbel Green, Jr., Stockton Green, Lyon Boston, Gordon Brown, Elliott Coleman, Frederick Fairchild, John Forbes, James Gillison, Melville Ingalls, George Morgan, John Herndon, Samuel White, Willard Triest, George Langdon and Louis M. Gourd.

Luncheon for Miss Skidmore.

Mrs. Samuel Tredwell Skidmore of 840 Park Avenue and Idlerest, East Hampton, L. I., gave a luncheon yesterday at Pierre's for her débutante daughter, Miss Nina S. Skidmore, who was graduated from Miss Chapin's School in this city. Miss Skidmore is now an undergradute at Bryn Mawr and a member of the Junior League.

Among the guests were the Misses Constance Dane, Carola Winter, Almira Rockefeller, Aline Woods, Elizabeth Wyatt, Katharine T. Biddle, Aurelie de Mauriac Murchison, Polly Horsey, Helen Lee Horsey, Barbara Van Rensselaer, Elizabeth Gay, Kathleen Howell, Agnes Howell, Elizabeth Stickney, Claire May, Edith Harlan, Sara Chisholm, Victoria Frelinghuysen, Hope Foote, Cornelia McLanahan Curtis, Deborah Dyer, May Swords, Lucy Leffingwell, Audrey Maynard, Virginia Rook, Mildred Vander Poel, Mary Walker, Caroline Wainwright, Norma Crandall, Lucie Bedford, Charlotte Stone, Margaret Johnston, Eleanor Boardman, Priscilla Fairchild, Audrey Lewisohn, Frances Heckscher, Martha Humphreys, Helen Wilmerding, Millicent Belknap, Camille Miller, Katherine Steele, Judith Hamlin, Iris Sellar, Elsie Y. Barber, Edith Darrach, Antoinette Dominick, Sarah Williams, Eileen Wood, Emilie Bruce Merriman, Cordelia Gurnee, Jennie Arnold, Miriam Miller and Winifred Trask.

WEDDING BELLS WON'T RING.

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Special to The New York Times.

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 24.—A Dayton member of the fair sex has exercised the inalienable right of a woman to change her mind, according to her mother.

Miss Eunice Maxwell Howard, artist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Howard, will not marry Galvin Gould, a New York bond broker, Mrs. Howard announced today.

A marriage license was obtained in New York early in the week, apparently without the knowledge of the bride-to-be's mother, and it had been planned to have the ceremony in "The Little Church Around the Corner."

When questioned today Mrs. Howard said:

"Persons have a right to change their minds if they want to. Outside of that it is nobody's business."

Mrs. Howard said that her daughter was with her at Dayton.

Mr. Gould has an apartment at 1,060 Park Avenue. He said last night that he and Miss Howard had obtained a license to wed, but that there had been a change in the plans and the marriage would not take place.

SOCIAL NOTES

NEW YORK.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Saxham Drury will go to Washington next week for the dinner and dance which Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. McLean will give on Dec. 31. They will be with Mr. and Mrs. McLean for a week.

Howard White Starr of 19 East Seventy-third Street will give a dinner and dance tonight at Pierre's for his débutante daughter, Miss Virginia Rosamund Starr.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulbert D. Bassett will give a tea tomorrow at 156 East Sixty-sixth Street.

Herman C. Huffer Jr. of Paris, who arrived on the Olympic, has gone to Baltimore to spend Christmas with Walter B. Brooks.

Major Richard J. Herman, U. S. A., and Mrs. Herman are at the Waldorf-Astoria from Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lansing Zabriskie of Aurora, N. Y., are at the Vanderbilt.

Mrs. John L. Roberts of 1,000 Park Avenue will give a luncheon at Sherry's on Dec. 30.

Mrs. Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte and her daughters, Mrs. Julian Rapallo Sloan and Miss Barbara Strebeigh, will give a reception this afternoon at the Weylin.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hudson Bauer of 71 East Ninety-sixth Street will give a dance on Wednesday night at the St. Regis for their daughter, Miss Dorothea Bauer.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stuart Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Fitler of Rosemont, Pa., are at the Ritz-Carlton.

Mrs. Sanford Bissell, who is passing the Winter at Mayfair House, will give a dinner there on Dec. 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Wentworth C. Bacon of Millbrook, N. Y., are at the Weylin before sailing for Europe.

Mrs. Maximilian Von Der Porten of New Rochelle will give a tea at the Lorraine on Monday for her débutante daughter, Miss Phyllis Von Der Porten.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Garrison Silleck Jr. will give a dance tonight at their home, 960 Park Avenue, for their débutante daughter, Miss Helen Silleck.

James Speyer gave his annual dinner and Christmas tree party last night at his home, 1,058 Fifth Avenue.

Princess Boncompagni, who has been visiting her relatives in Paris, is expected Tuesday on the Majestic and will be at the Ambassador.

Alexander P. Moore, former Ambassador to Spain, has left the Ambassador to pass the holidays in Pittsburgh.

LONG ISLAND.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Belwood and Miss Dorothy Belwood of Hempstead have gone to Bermuda for a vacation of several weeks.

The Misses Elizabeth and Elaine Willbank of Garden City will give a large bridge next Tuesday afternoon in honor of Miss Ella Sandberg, who is visiting in Garden City for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wright of Hempstead gave a large dinner-dance for their son, Hamilton, this week.

WESTCHESTER.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald M. Craigmyle of Scarsdale entertained last evening at their home.

Miss Dorothy Welles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Aiken Welles of Bronxville, will be presented to society at a large reception and dance on New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Robert Gillespie of Bronxville and their son are spending several weeks as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Brunmark at Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Elizabeth Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker of Bronxville, and John Walker, their son, have returned home from college, the former from Wellesley and the latter from Middlebury.

Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Harcourt of Bronxville gave a dinner dance last night in honor of their daughter, Miss Ada Harcourt, who is home from the Masters School.

George M. L. Labranche of Pelham Heights is duck hunting in Virginia.

Charles Junod, son of Mrs. Charles F. Junod of Pelham Heights, has returned from the Hill School for the vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Andrew Hauer of New Rochelle have as guests Mr. and Mrs. George B. Longan, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Beronius and Miss Georgette Longan of Kansas City, Mo., Carl Arnold of Laramie, Wyo., a law student at Yale, and Miss Hazel Glen and Mrs. Alice Campbell of New York.

Miss Eleanor Newcomer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Newcomer of Yonkers, has returned from Cornell University, where she is assistant in the Home Economics Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Parsons of Yonkers and daughter have gone to Montreal for the holidays.

The John Burroughs Christmas tree, South Yonkers, was the scene of a community festival last evening. Carols were sung and Christmas gifts were brought for the less fortunate, to be distributed this morning. The affair was under the auspices of the John Burroughs Garden Club, of which Mrs. Clarence Alexander is President.

The Dramatic Club of the Children's Village, Dobbs Ferry, gave a play last evening under the direction of the Welfare Director, Leonard W. Mayo.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moffatt of Anderson, Ind., are the guests of Mr. Moffatt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Moffatt of Tarrytown.

A Christmas pageant entitled "The Light of the World" was presented at the Community House of Bedford Hills by the young people of the Methodist Episcopal Church last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Willard of Smithtown, L. I., and daughter are spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson of Pleasantville.

Mrs. J. A. Canfield of Pleasantville has returned from a visit of three months in Europe.

Miss Margaret Prichard, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Harold A. Prichard of Mount Kisco, has returned from the Masters School.

Mrs. Dwight Eldred of Scarsdale and son are at Auburn, N. Y., for the holidays.

The Committee of 100 of the Scarsdale Women's Club, headed by Mrs. Colin Armstrong, gave a Christmas party to 100 patients at Grasslands Hospital yesterday. The subcommittee in charge consisted of Mrs. A. Emerson Hadlock, Chairman; Mrs. E. K. Cherrill, Mrs. C. N. Barney, Mrs. John Bigelow, Mrs. Martin Clapp, Mrs. Herbert Huberth, Mrs. C. F. Puckhafter, Mrs. Benjamin Van Doren, Mrs. Ralph Underhill, Mrs. H. M. Zukert, Mrs. A. I. Warren and Mrs. E. Hanford.

Mrs. Alford E. Barlow Jr. of New Rochelle gave a dance for her son, Robert, who is home from Hotchkiss School, at the New Rochelle Women's Club.

NEW JERSEY.

Mrs. W. J. Hawkins of Montclair entertained 200 with a tea-dance yesterday afternoon at her home in honor of her daughters, the Misses Elizabeth Cynthia and Julia Hawkins.

There will be a tea-dance this afternoon at the Colonial Club, Montclair, for members and their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Duffy of Montclair will give a tea tomorrow afternoon at the Colonial Club in honor of their daughters, the Misses Aurelia and Lillian Duffy.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis A. Nelson of Upper Montclair will entertain 150 tonight at their home with a dance in honor of their daughter, Miss Margaret K. Nelson, and their son, Francis A. Nelson Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. William Y. Dear and Miss Ruth Dear of Montclair will entertain fifty at a dinner-dance at the Montclair Golf Club on New Year's night in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Metzger of East Orange.

Judge and Mrs. Joseph L. Bodine of Trenton will have as their guest during the holidays their nephew, Paul Barrier, a student at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.

Among the hosts at family dinner parties in Trenton today will be Mr. and Mrs. William G. Wherry, who will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Lanning and their sons, Edward and Percy; Miss Ethelind Lanning, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thropp and son Harry, Mr. and Mrs. Manton Morris and son Manton and Mrs. Edna Skillman.

Mrs. Harrison C. Massey will entertain Mr. and Mrs. George W. Massey and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Slack will have as guests Dr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Slack, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Voorhees, Mrs. William Slack and Dr. and Mrs. Randall MacCowell and their daughters, Helen and Beatty.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Mann will have as their guests Miss Corinne Mann, A. W. Mann, Horace Mann Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. William Shipps Sutterley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ridgeway E. Moon will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Moon, Miss Betty Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford H. Oakley, Miss Polly Oakley, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moon, Miss Helene Moon, Miss Mary Moon, A. Evan Moon, Mrs. Annie D. Titus, Miss Mary Titus, Mrs. Anna Van Cleff, Miss Jane Moon and Ridgeway Moon Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand W. Roebling will also give a family dinner party.

Mr. and Mrs. Edawrd B. Dolton will entertain eight guests.

Captain William Sayles and Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliston Farrell of Easton, Pa., are spending Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Adams Gibbons at Greenholm, Princeton.

Professor and Mrs. Charles Freeman W. McClure gave a dinner last night at their home, Charming Fare, Princeton, for Mr. and Mrs. Philip Ashton Rollins, Dean and Mrs. Luther Pfahler Eisenhart and Junius Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes Dennis 3d of Princeton are visiting Mrs. Dennis's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gifford, at Summit.

Among those who attended the junior bachelors' dance in Thomson Hall, Princeton, on Thursday evening were the Misses Katherine, Hildegart and Natalie Gauss, Houston Scott, Yvon Cameron, Katherine and Elizabeth Mitchell, Mary Stockton, Margaret Manning, Katherine and Lawrence Norris, Mary Love, Janet Hager, Mary Tyson, Muriel Thomson, Mimie Gibbons, Florence Duffield, Virginia Myers, Margaret Mather, Ora Worden, Wallace Hubbell, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stanley Matthews.

Others were Robert Carr, Hugh and David Sloan, William and Thornell Koren, Ormsbee Murray, Reed Stuart, Park Armstrong, Edward Balfour, John Mulford, Hollins McKim Steele, Griswold Frelinghuysen, Donald and Malcolm Maclaren, Alexander Leitch, Robert Pierce, Bernard Horne, Randold MacInnes, Christopher Gerould, Lloyd Gibbons, Edwin Norris, Harry Colmere, John Thompson and Joseph Horne. The Dance Committee consisted of George Armstrong, Gilbert Vale and Gerard Cameron.

Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Cushing Richardson, who are spending the Winter in Washington, are guests of Professor and Mrs. Gregg Dougherty in Princeton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morrell of Chevy Chase, Md., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Green Duffield of Princeton over Christmas.

Miss Peggy Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albridge C. Smith of South Orange, and Miss Peggy Douglass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Payson Stone Douglass of West Orange, will give a dance next Monday night at the Orange Lawn Tennis Club. Before the dance Mrs. Stephen F. Barrett of South Orange will give a dinner at her home for forty-two in honor of her daughter, Miss Stephanie Barrett.

Among those who will be Christmas dinner hosts at the Maplewood Country Club tonight are Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin Perry, who will have ten guests; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McClure, eight; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Harleman, seven; Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Schell, six; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buerman, four; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wakelee, three and Mr. and Mrs. James Pennoyer two.

Mr. and Mrs. David Houston of Maplewood are entertaining over Christmas Dr. and Mrs. Carroll Brown and the host's sons, Allen and Andrew Bruce Houston of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sydney Holmes of East Orange are spending Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Munsey of Buffalo.

The yuletide ball of East Orange will be held tonight at the Hotel Suburban. A feature will be an entertainment by Miss Louise Dettjen and Miss Helen Derby during the dinner hour preceding the ball. There will also be a dance and entertainment on New Year's Eve. The patronesses for the ball are Mrs. George W. Beatty, Mrs. M. L. Byington, Mrs. Harrison Colburn, Mrs. Corning Faber, Mrs. A. Craig Knight, Mrs. Lloyd K. Neidlinger, Mrs. Stuart Philips and Mrs. A. G. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Preston of South Orange will leave tomorrow for Winter Park, Fla., to stay until Spring.

Mrs. Robert H. Illingworth of Orange will have twenty-two guests at dinner tonight at her home. She will give a dinner for twelve at the Essex County Country Club on New Year's Eve.

The marriage on Dec. 8 is announced of Mrs. Olive Moore Burgess, daughter of Dr. Fillmore Moore of Aiken, S. C., to David Hoadley Munroe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Munroe of New York, formerly of Englewood. It took place at the American Church in Paris.

Miss Mary Derbyshire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Derbyshire of Englewood, will be married on New Year's day to Charles Petroskie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Petroskie, also of Englewood, in the Church of the Transfiguration, New York. The couple will make their home in Tenafly.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bowie Dash of Englewood gave a large dance at the Knickerbocker Country Club last night to introduce their daughter Jean. Among out-of-town guests were the Misses Wightman, the Misses Denne, the Misses Giphens and Miss Margaret Van Winkle and Alexander Haddon and Alfred Giphens, all of New York.

The Misses Eleanor and Evelyn Bicknell gave a dinner at their home for Miss Dash and

SAY CAROL HAS GONE BACK TO BUCHAREST

Paris Diplomatic Circles Assert Prince, Missing From Neuilly, Will Resume His Rank.

FRIENDS SAY HE IS PLAYING

They Declare Also That He and Mme. Lupescu Have Parted—Reported in Montmartre.

PARIS, Dec. 24 (AP).—Former Crown Prince Carol of Rumania has been absent from his home in Neuilly, a suburb of Paris, for more than thirty hours. Although a lone servant at his beautiful villa said tonight that "my master may return tonight," it is asserted in diplomatic circles that the Prince is on the way to Bucharest to resume the prerogatives of his dynasty, which he renounced some months ago. Neighbors of "Mr. Caraiman," as he is known in Neuilly, believe he has just advanced his Christmas celebration.

Reports current in Neuilly are that Carol's private secretary boarded the Simplon Express going in the direction of Bucharest on Thursday night. Others say that Carol left in an automobile on Thursday afternoon in time to catch the Simplon Express leaving Paris at 8:30 P. M. Thursday. It also is reported that Carol boarded the express at the first stop after leaving Paris, as he did not want to enter the train at the Paris terminal.

Yet, there are friends of Carol who say he was seen in Montmartre resorts early this morning, dancing to syncopated music, but that Mme. Magda Lupescu, who came with him to France from Rumania and who has been his constant companion, was not with him. These friends are certain that the Prince has separated from Mme. Lupescu, and that she is now living about a mile from his villa. They describe the demeanor of Carol for the past three months as that of a man who has seen a great light, and that he appears desirous of having the public at large, and especially the people of Rumania, forget the past.

King Wants Him Back.

King Ferdinand, although he agreed to the renunciation of Carol at the time, now is anxious that he come back to Rumania. One report reaching here is that when the King made this wish known Premier Averescu and the members of the Government refused, the Minister of the Interior, M. Goga, saying to the King:

"I will have him shot if he returns."

The ailing King, with a shadow of a smile, is reported to have replied:

"Be careful he doesn't have you shot."

Whether Carol actually has left Paris for Bucharest, or whether, tired out, he will return to his Neuilly home Christmas morning, will not make any difference in the ultimate settlement of the Rumanian dynastic problem, in the opinion of observers here. There are many Rumanians in Bucharest, according to these observers, who emphasize that Carol must come back to the country, as they refuse to entertain the idea of a regency until the present Crown Prince Mihai (Michael), young son of Carol by his marriage to Princess Helen, reaches the age of 18, as prescribed in the Rumanian Constitution.

If Carol does return to Rumania, it will mean the overthrow of Premier Averescu and his régime, and the eclipse of former Premier Bratiano, long a power in Rumanian affairs. Carol has announced that he will insist that the National Peasant Party, the second largest group in the Chamber, be called into power.

These Deputies are all young, energetic Rumanians. Their program calls for recognition of Russia, an amicable arrangement of the Bessarabian problem, and settlement of the Danube question in a friendly way with Great Britain, France and Italy, while maintaining the present position of the Little Entente.

Ferdinand Presides at Tree.

BUCHAREST, Dec. 24 (AP).—King Ferdinand, despite his recent operations, was able to preside today at the distribution of Christmas gifts to members of the civil and military household. The entire household, from Court Marshal to stable boy, gathered around the great Christmas tree and each received a present and a kind word.

The King shook hands with each one and seemed to take pride in demonstrating the firmness of his grasp.

TO AID UNITED HOSPITALS.

39 Churches and Synagogues to Take Collection in Fund Drive.

In nineteen churches and synagogues today and tomorrow the United Hospital Fund, sponsor for fifty-six hospitals, will carry on its traditional Hospital Saturday and Sunday collection in connection with its drive for $1,000,000. Sermons will be preached on the community's care for the sick poor and the free work done by the fifty-six units.

"This is the forty-eighth annual church collection for the care of the sick poor," Henry J. Fisher, President of the fund, explained yesterday.

"The first Saturday and Sunday collection amounted to $26,000 and was distributed to nineteen hospitals. Since that time the Sunday collection has become an increasingly important part of the annual total collection, which last year amounted to approximately $650,000."

The following churches and synagogues will participate: All Souls', Church of the Ascension, Christ Church, Church of the Epiphany, Grace Church, Church of the Heavenly Rest, Church of the Holy Trinity, Church of the Incarnation, St. Ann's Church for the Deaf, St. Ignatius, Cathedral of St. John the Divine, St. Luke's, St. Thomas's, Trinity Chapel, Church of the Atonement, Shearith Israel Synagogue, Free Synagogue, Brick Presbyterian, First Presbyterian, Madison Avenue Presbyterian, Park Avenue Presbyterian, Morrisania Presbyterian, Riverdale Presbyterian, Mount Washington Presbyterian Episcopal Church of the Mediator, Collegiate Reformed Dutch Churches, Know Memorial Church, Reformed Church of Harlem, Community Church, Marcy Avenue Baptist Church.

Students to Attend Y.M.C.A.Meeting

College undergraduates from every State will attend the National Student Conference under auspices of the Council of Christian Associations of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. at Milwaukee, which will begin next Tuesday and continue five days, it was announced yesterday by the committee in charge. Among the speakers will be Dr. G. A. Studdart Kennedy, who won the nickname of "Woodbine Willie" by his work among the British soldiers in the war.

TOPICS TO INTEREST THE CHURCHGOER

Protestant Episcopal Church to Base Membership Count on Baptism.

NEW GARDEN CITY DEAN

The Rev. G. P. T. Sargent to Take Charge of Cathedral Next Month —Percival Price Going Abroad.

All future compilations of the membership of the Protestant Episcopal Church will be on the basis of baptized persons. Heretofore they have been on the basis of the number of confirmed persons. The change has been brought about through an interpretation of Church Law just handed down by the Right Rev. John Gardner Murray, the presiding Bishop.

The ruling was made in connection with a request from the United States Census Bureau for an interpretation of the term "membership." Bishop Murray quoted Canon 52 of the Episcopal Church, which says: "For all purposes the number of members of the Church shall be deemed to be the number of baptized persons."

The Roman Catholic Church in the United States also reports the number of baptized persons, while the Lutheran Church reports the number of those confirmed.

The Rev. George Paul Torrence Sargent, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Grand Rapids, Mich., who was recently called to be dean of the Episcopal Cathedral of the Incarnation, Garden City, Long Island, will be instituted there by Bishop Ernest M. Stires early next month. Mr. Sargent will succeed the Rev. Oscar F. Treder, now a rector in Harrisburg, Pa.

Mr. Sargent was nominated for the deanship by Bishop Stires and elected by the Cathedral Chapter. He is forty-five years old and was born in Cincinnati, Ohio. The dean-elect was educated at Yale University, the General Episcopal Theological Seminary and Berkeley Divinity School. He has a wife and two children.

The Rev. Dr. Alexander Harsanyi, pastor of the Hungarian Presbyterian Church, Ashtabula, Ohio, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Hungarian Presbyterian Church, Yonkers, N. Y., to succeed the Rev. Steven Catoros. It is expected Dr. Harsanyi will preach his first sermon in Yonkers on Jan. 16. For nineteen years Dr. Harsanyi was pastor of the Hungarian Protestant Church at Homestead, Pa. He has served for many years as editor of the Hungarian Presbyterian paper and is the author of many books and other church publications.

The Rev. Dr. M. George Thompson, who for more than thirty years was rector of Christ Episcopal Church, Greenwich, Conn., will be the acting rector for the rest of this Winter at the Episcopal Church of Bethesda-by-the-sea, West Palm Beach, Fla.

The Rev. Henry Scott Miller of the Episcopal Chapel of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C., has accepted the position of assistant to the Rev. Dr. J. Wilson Sutton, vicar of the Trinity Episcopal Chapel, Trinity Parish, Twenty-fifth Street, just west of Broadway. Mr. Miller will begin his duties here Jan. 1. He will succeed the Rev. Charles E. Hill, who resigned some time ago. Mr. Miller is a graduate of the General Episcopal Theological Seminary.

Bishop William F. McDowell of the Washington (D. C.) Methodist Area, will dedicate Adams Memorial Hall, the auditorium of the new church house and community centre of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Ocean Parkway and Beverly Road, Brooklyn, tomorrow morning. The hall, which will seat 1,000 persons, is a memorial to Joseph Adams Jr., who was a member of the congregation. It has just been equipped with a $25,000 organ, the gift of Joseph Adams Sr.

Percival Price, carillonneur of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, at Sixty-fourth Street, will leave on Jan. 1 for a three months' European tour. His recital tomorrow evening will be his last until April. In his absence Mrs. Ruth Muzzy Conniston, believed to be the only woman carillonneur in America, will play the carillon. Beginning next week the Wednesday carillon recitals will be discontinued.

The Rev. Dr. Walter J. Swaffield, pastor of the Baptist Church, Plainfield, N. J., was elected last Monday President of the American and Foreign Bible Society of the Baptist Church. He succeeds the Rev. Dr. Frank M. Goodchild, who is in ill health. The Rev. Charles H. Rannels, pastor of the...

Rabbi Feinberg Coming Here.

Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg, of Wheeling, W. Va., has accepted a call to become associate rabbi at Temple Israel, Ninety-first Street, near Broadway. He will take up his duties here next month. The head rabbi is the Rev. Dr. Maurice H. Harris. Dr. Feinberg is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and took postgraduate work at the University of Chicago. He was ordained in 1924 at the Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati. Rabbi Feinberg studied vocal music at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. Prior to his present post, he was rabbi of Beth-El Temple, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Fire Chaplain Says Midnight Mass.

The Rev. Patrick F. O'Connor, Fire Department chaplain, who was recently appointed by Cardinal Hayes to found a new parish in the Bronx, of which he will be the pastor, said his first mass as a pastor at midnight on the stage of the Luxor Theatre, 170th Street and the Grand Concourse. In addition to being the Christmas mass the occasion also marked the ninth anniversary of Father O'Connor as a chaplain. He was appointed by Robert Adamson, formerly Fire Commissioner.

Holiday Greetings

ETTELSON Henry. A merry Christmas and a happy 1927 to all.

WILSON—Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Wilson of 302 West Eighty-seventh Street extend season's greetings to all their relatives and friends.

ALL ROME JOINS POPE IN MIDNIGHT MASS

Pontiff Kneels in Unison With People as 400 Bells Herald Christmas Service.

ROME, Dec. 24 (AP).—As the brazen-tongued bells heralded the beginning of the midnight Christmas mass over the seven hills of the Eternal City, Pope Pius in the Vatican and the people of Rome in their twenty-score churches knelt in joyful celebration of the birth of Christ.

Every house of worship, from the tiniest churches, illuminated with a few dozen candles, to austere basilicas, whose vast naves echoed with the voices of boys raised in liturgical exaltation, was crowded with worshipers, while beyond the Tiber, in his private chapel, surrounded by his household and a few friends, the Pontiff prayed in unison with them.

Before attending the mass the people of Rome, to whom Christmas Eve is the most precious family festival of the year, gathered around tables groaning with food and drink. For the most part the people feasted on eels, carefully selected at the street fish markets, which remained open for forty-eight hours to meet the demand for the delicacy, without which the Christmas Eve dinner would not seem complete. The children gorged themselves with rich cakes. Premier Mussolini having allowed Italy a respite from war bread for the duration of the holiday season.

King Victor Emmanuel, Queen Helena and Crown Prince Humbert came especially from Turin to celebrate Christmas at the Quirinal palace. On his arrival the monarch announced a personal subscription of a million lire to the "fictoral loan," which is being raised to help stabilize the country's finances.

Christmas banquets were served tonight to thousands of those who could not afford expensive meals and there were special celebrations in asylums, hospitals and prisons.

Tomorrow there will be a real holiday such as Facist Italy, which in Mussolini's words hasn't a moment to spare from productive labor, seldom gets nowadays. The newspapers will not publish, trolley service will be at a standstill and nothing will occur which might call happy families away from their hearths and Christmas trees.

PLAN NEW MEXICAN VISIT.

Catholic Leader Says Inquirers Led by Herring Are Prejudiced.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—A new fact-finding committee arranging to leave for Mexico contains the names of men whose past expressions have been critical toward the Church in that country, Father John Burke, General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, said in a statement issued here today.

"The public will await the report of this second Herring committee with an open mind," Father Burke said. "The committee is said to be made up of churchmen and writers, and announces that its mission is to foster amicable relations between the United States and Mexico.

"Dr. Herbert C. Herring, who is to be in charge of the excursion, is an official of the Congregational Church. This is not the first so-called fact-finding committee that has gone to Mexico. Dr. Herring himself conducted a similar committee to Mexico last Summer, and if the report made then can be taken as a criterion, but little in the way of truth or of justice can be looked for now.

"Herbert Croly, editor of The New Republic, has been openly hostile to the Bishops of Mexico, charging them with fomenting political rebellion in support of alien interest in Mexico.

"Paul Hutchisson of The Christian Century from the outbreak of the present trouble in Mexico has condemned the position of the Church and given his entire sympathy to the Calles Government.

"Dr. Herring himself in an interview given wide publicity last August said: 'The conflict is between a forward-looking, keenly enthusiastic nation and a Church which has settled down to a barren and dead conservatism.'"

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Other Services

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Sun., 8 17—ELISE APLAND, "The Good Spell."
(Gospel). GERTRUDE L. RUTTER—
Thurs. (Dec. 30), 1:30 and 3 P. M., "The Word." Lecture and Class. Admission.
Mon. (Jan. 3), 8:15, Evening Class, Beginning Intensive course, "The Spirit of the Axioms"—where the perfect work is done, leading to abundance unlimited and liberation.

RANASHAD LECTURES.
Speaker: Mollie Brandenburg.
DOES SELF-CONSCIOUSNESS IMPLY IMMORTALITY OF THE SOUL?
HOTEL McALPIN, BROADWAY AND 34TH.
Sunday, December 26, 3 P. M.
QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY RANASHAD.
Public Invited.

Fellowship of the Life More Abundant,
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Sundays, 11 A. M.—Brooklyn, Masonic Temple
Dec. 26.—"The Christ That Is Yours."
Community Singing. All Welcome.

AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL FORUM.
AT 3 P. M. SUNDAY, DEC. 26.
HOTEL ANSONIA, B'WAY-74TH ST.
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TO THE WORLD.
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BROOKLYN.

Ethical Movement

BROOKLYN ETHICAL SOCIETY,
Academy of Music (Atlantic Av. Station),
11 A. M.—Mr. Arthur D. Reed
"LIVING LONG AND LIVING WELL."

Presbyterian

LAFAYETTE AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN,
Corner South Oxford Street.
Services at 11 and 7:45.
Morning—Dr. Charles Carroll Albertson.
Evening—The Rev. John Erwing Steen.
Carol Service. Annis Louise David, Harpist.

Baptist

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH,
Southeast corner 92d and Amsterdam Av.
Rev. Dr. JOHN FALCONER FRASER, Pastor.
11 A. M.—"A RECENT VISIT TO BETHLEHEM."
Evening—"A HAPPY OLD YEAR."
Dr. Fraser preaching.

MADISON AVENUE BAPTIST,
Madison Av. at 31st St.
GEORGE CALEB MOOR, D. D., Minister.
Preaches at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.
EVENING—"Can the Dead Be Helpful?"

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,
Broadway and 79th Street.
PASTOR I. M. HALDEMAN, D.D.
11 A. M.—"DID GOD HAND JOB OVER TO THE DEVIL TO AFFLICT HIM? DID GOD HIMSELF SEND SUFFERING AND WOE UPON JOB? WHY DID GOD DO IT?"
8 P. M.—"THE COMING OF CHRIST TO SET UP HIS JUDGMENT SEAT FOR CHRISTIANS." WILL PREACHERS WHO DENY THE VIRGIN BIRTH, THE DEITY OF CHRIST, THE ATONING CHARACTER OF HIS DEATH AND HIS BODILY RESURRECTION HAVE PART IN THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST? ARE SUCH PREACHERS SAVED? WILL SOME PREACHERS AT THAT JUDGMENT SEAT FIND THEIR WORK ONLY WOOD, HAY AND STUBBLE? WILL THE SMALLEST THING DONE FOR CHRIST RECEIVE PRAISE? WILL SOME CHRISTIANS RECEIVE A REWARD AND SOME LOSE IT?"
FOURTH IN SERIES ON SECOND COMING OF CHRIST.
Friday Night, 8 o'clock—Prayer and Testimony Meeting. Dr. Haldeman's Bible Exposition.

MOUNT MORRIS BAPTIST,
5th Ave., between 123th and 127th Sts.
Rev. HOWARD P. CLARKE, Minister.
11—"Make Way for the Son of God."

PARK AVENUE BAPTIST,
Park Av. at East 64th St.
Ministers: CORNELIUS WORKEFKIN, HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK, EUGENE C. CARDER.
9:45 A. M.—Church School.
Religious Instruction for Children of New York Under Competent Teachers.
Women's Bible Class. Men's Bible Class.
11 A. M.—Christmas Sermon, Dr. FOSDICK.
This service will be broadcast over WJZ.
5:30 P. M.—Young People's Society.
7 to 7:50 P. M.—CARILLON RECITAL.
8 P. M.—EIGHTH IN SERIES OF SUNDAY EVENING LECTURES BY DR. FOSDICK ON THE SUBJECT—
JESUS' BOYHOOD—BETHLEHEM AND NAZARETH.
No seats reserved at these evening lectures.

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THIRD.....Central Park West and 68th St.
FOURTH....Fort Washington Av. and 178th St.
FIFTH.....Broadway and 43d St.
SIXTH.....1,935 Anthony Av., Bronx
SEVENTH.....520 West 112th St.
EIGHTH.....103 East 77th St.
NINTH.....Town Hall, 121 West 43d St.
TENTH.....225 Waverly Pl.
ELEVENTH....2,382 Grand Concourse, Bronx
THIRTEENTH....2,307 Broadway
FOURTEENTH.....953 West 141st St.
FIFTEENTH.....139 Dyckman St.
Note—Wednesday meetings in Fourth, Sixth, Tenth, Eleventh and Fifteenth Churches, 8:15 P. M. Wednesday meeting in Ninth Church, 1 P. M.; Seventh and Tenth Churches, second Sunday service, 4:30 P. M.
A FREE LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE by a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship as follows:
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The Monday evening lecture and the Sunday morning service will be radiocast through station WMCA, 341 meters.
The public is cordially invited.

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The service includes reading of a Message from the Leader, Mrs. Annie C. Bill, on the subject of the day's lesson.
Sunday School 11 A. M.

Community Church

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Park Av. and 34th St.
11 A. M.—JOHN HAYNES HOLMES,
1926-1927: TOWARD WHAT FUTURE ARE WE MOVING?
5:15—VESPERS (Mr. Holmes), Supper.
8:00—FORUM—JOHN COWPER POWYS, "Charles Dickens and the Christmas Spirit."
New Year's Eve Service, Dec. 31, 11:15 P. M.

Congregational

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57th St., West of Broadway.
Rev. PAUL M. SPENCER, D. D., Pastor,
CLARK AND BELL,
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BROADWAY TABERNACLE CHURCH.
BROADWAY AND 56TH ST.
DR. CHARLES E. JEFFERSON, Pastor.
will preach 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

MANHATTAN CHURCH, B'way at 76th St.
11 A. M.—Prof. Plato Shaw of Hartford, Preacher. Dr. Edward H. Emett, D. D. Christmas Message and Christmas Music.

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PROFESSOR E. O. WILLIAMS
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Sunday, 4—"The Star of Guidance."
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Jewish

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SAMUEL SCHULMAN, D.D., D.H.L., Rabbi.
Simon Cohen, D.D., Asst. Rabbi.
Friday Evening Services at 5:30.
Saturday Morning Services 10:15.
SUBJECT FOR THIS MORNING'S SERVICES OF
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"THE ART OF FINDING GOD."
All Are Welcome.

TEMPLE EMANU-EL,
5th Av. and 43d St.
Saturday, 10:30 A. M.—Dr. Enelow on "The Judaism of Jesus."
Sunday, 11 A. M. Sharp—Dr. Krass on "God—An Historical Survey and a Religious Inquiry."
Friday Evening Service, 5:30 o'clock.
Daily Noon Service, 12:30 o'clock.
All are welcome.

CENTRAL SYNAGOGUE,
55th St. and Lexington Av.
RABBI LEONARD ROTHSTEIN
will deliver the sermon
this morning at 10:15.
Friday evening services begin 5:30.
Religious school is held 9:45 Sunday mornings at 35-37 East 62d Street (between Park and Madison Avenues).

Y. M. C. A.

All Men Invited—Take Gates Car
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RELIGIOUS SERVICES

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Sunday, 11, "The Mother"; 7:30, Bible School.

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Rev. Dr. Paul Scherer, Pastor.
11 A. M.—"In and Out of Bethlehem."

ST. JAMES'S,
Madison Av. at 71st St.
Sunday, 11 A. M.—White Christmas Service.

Methodist Episcopal

CALVARY, University Avenue,
Below Burnside Avenue.
ALBERT E. BERRIE, D. D., Pastor.
11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sermons by Pastor. Special Music by Quartette and Chorus.

CHELSEA, 178th St., W. of B'way. 11—Dr. Hough Houston. 7:45—Dr. Archey Ball, Ridgewood. Keith's Boys Band.

FIVE POINTS MISSION,
59 Madison St.
Rev. G. W. Grinton, Pastor.
11 A. M. Worship.
2:30 P. M. Sunday School.
Wednesday, 7 P. M. and 7:30 P. M. Christmas Exercises; Visitors Welcomed.

JOHN STREET,
Noonday Prayer Meeting
12 to 1 o'clock
JACOB MOSES HARRIS,
A converted American Orthodox Jew, will speak on present day conditions, viewed in the light of prophecy,
Dec. 27 to 30, Inclusive.

MADISON AVENUE CHURCH, 60th St.
Rev. Ralph W. Sockman, Ph. D., D. D.
Rev. John A. Vollenweider, B. D.
SUNDAY SERVICES
DR. SOCKMAN at 11,
"Gift or Giver."
Special Christmas Music with string accompaniment.
5—Traditional Christmas Carols.
6—Social Tea. 7—Young People.

METROPOLITAN TEMPLE.
14th St. and 7th Av.
Rev. Wallace MacMullen, D. D., Minister.
Rev. Harrison H. Black, Associate.
11 A. M.—"The Cradle of the Child."
7:45 P. M.—"The Triumph of the King."
Dr. MacMullen will preach A. M. and P. M.
Special music P. M. Selections from the "Messiah." Watchnight service Dec. 31, 10:30.

ST. ANDREW'S,
76th St., near Amsterdam Av.
JAMES HARDY BENNETT, Pastor.
11—"The Lamb and Four Horsemen."
8—"Then Cometh Jesus."

ST. JAMES',
Madison Av. and 126th St.
Rev. Fred W. Stacey, Minister, 11 & 8 Sermons by Pastor. Christmas Music.

ST. PAUL'S,
West End Av. and 86th St.
RAYMOND L. FORMAN, D. D., Pastor.
Preaching:
11—"Herod's Funeral."
Special Christmas Music.
8—"A Christmas Tale."
WATCH NIGHT SERVICE,
New Year's Eve at 11 P. M.

UNION METHODIST EPISCOPAL.
New York's most centrally located METHODIST CHURCH,
48th St.—60 steps west of Broadway.
Rev. Robert J. Harrison, M.A., D.D., Minister will preach,
11 A. M. and 8 P. M.
Visitors to New York cordially invited.

WASHINGTON SQ., 4th St., West of Square.
Rev. CHARLES R. ROSS, Ph. D., Pastor.
11—"ANTICIPATION."
8—"STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!"

WEST SIDE, 461 West 44th St. 11—Rev. C. Everett Wagner. "1927 Expectation."
8—"How God Guides." Bible Picture.

Moravian

FIRST CHURCH, Lexington Av. and 26th St.
11 A. M., Harry E. Stocker, Ph.D., Minister.

New Church

THE NEW CHURCH, (Swedenborgian),
35th St., between Park and Lexington.
Rev. A. WILDE.
Divine Worship 11 A. M. Holy Communion.
Subject—"The Angel's Song."

CHURCH OF THE NEW JERUSALEM,
Clark St. and Monroe Place, Brooklyn.
Take west side subways to Clark St.
Rev. E. M. LAWRENCE GOULD, Pastor.
Sunday, 11 A. M.—"How Christmas Has Changed the World."

New Thought

"MAKE 1927 YOUR BIG YEAR."
ANNA C. NOLLE.
GUILD HALL, IN STEINWAY BLDG.,
113 West 57th St. Sunday, 11 A. M.
Admission Free—Questions Answered.

Presbyterian

THE BRICK CHURCH,
5th Av. and 37th St.
Ministers:
WILLIAM PIERSON MERRILL,
JAMES McCULLOUGH FARR.
Dr. MERRILL will preach at 11.
Dr. FARR will preach at 4.
4 P. M.—Oratorio. Handel's "Messiah."
Watch Night Service Friday, 11 P. M.
NOON HOUR SERVICE daily, 12:30-12:50 (except Saturday).

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN,
Madison Av. and 57th St.
Rev. DWIGHT WITHERSPOON WYLIE, D. D., LL. D., Pastor.
9:45 A. M.—Church School.
Services 11 A. M. and 4 P. M.
The Pastor Preaches at both Services.
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL MUSIC at Morning and Afternoon Services.
Vocal and Instrumental Soloists' and small Chorus.
WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 8.
Midweek Hour of Prayer.

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church,
Fifth Avenue and Fifty-fifth Street.
Pastors: The Rev. Henry Howard, The Rev. Minot C. Morgan, D. D.
Assistant Pastor, the Rev. Edward W. Hale.
11:00—Morning Service, Dr. Howard.
SPECIAL MUSIC.
"Shepherds' Christmas Song."
"O Bethlehem."
"Mary Kept All These Things."
4:30—Afternoon Service, Dr. Morgan.
4:00—Organ Recital by Harry Gilbert.
8:00—"The People's Service," Dr. Howard.
9:30—Church School.
10:00—Men's Bible Class, Dr. Morgan.
10:00—Women's Bible Class, Col. Sanctuary.
5:45—Young People's Association.
WEDNESDAY, 8:15, Preparatory Service in the Chapel, conducted by Dr. Morgan.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.
5th Av. 11th and 12th Sts.
Ministers: Rev. George Alexander, D. D. Rev. Thomas Guthrie Speers. Rev. Robert H. Blackshear.
9:45 A. M.—Church School.
11:00 A. M.—DR. ALEXANDER.
6:45 P. M.—Young People's Group.
Wednesday, 8 P. M.—Midweek Service.
NEW YEAR'S EVE.
9-11 P. M.—Reception, 7 West 11th St.
11 P. M.—Watch Night Service.

Presbyterian

BROADWAY
PRESBYTERIAN,
Broadway and 114th St.
Rev. Walter Duncan Buchanan, D.D., LL.D. Pastor will preach 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
West End Avenue and 91st Street.
DR BENJAMIN F. FARBER,
Pastor.
"WHITE GIFT CHRISTMAS."
Service, Substance, Self.
11 A. M.—"If Christ Had Not Come."
DR. FARBER.
Evening—Pageant.

MADISON AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN.
Northeast corner 73d St.
Ministers: Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin, Rev. William Raymond Jelliffe, Rev. George Stewart, Ph. D.
CHRISTMAS DAY.
8 A. M.—Communion.
11 A. M.—Carol Service. Dr. Coffin.
SUNDAY, DEC. 26.
8 P. M.—Dr. Coffin.
NEW YEAR'S EVE.
11 P. M.—Watchnight Service.

ALL SAINTS', Henry and Scammel Sts.
Fr. Rockwell, Vicar. 8, 10:30 and 8.

CALVARY,
4th Av. and 21st St.
REV. S. M. SHOEMAKER JR., Rector.
8 and 10:15 A. M.—Holy Communion.
11 A. M.—Preacher—the Rector.
"THE NECESSITY OF CHRIST."
In Christmas Children's Christmas Tree Services.

CHRIST CHURCH,
Broadway at 71st St.
Rev. JOHN H. ATKINSON, Rector.
Sunday Service:
Morning Service and Sermon at 11.
Children's Festival, 3 P. M.
Evening Service and Sermon at 8.

EGLISE DU ST. ESPRIT.
Eglise Huguenote. Fondee en 1628.
45 EAST 27TH STREET.
Rev. J. A. MAYNARD, Ph. D., Pasteur.
Services de Noel
26 decembre a 10 heures 45 du matin.
Noel .....Boellmann
Noel des Bergers.....Dauphin
Sanctus .....Van den Heuvel
Sermon par le Rev. J. A. Maynard, Ph. D., DD.
"Paix et bonne volonte."

CHURCH OF THE HEAVENLY REST AND CHAPEL OF THE BELOVED DISCIPLE,
68 East 90th St.
REV. HENRY DARLINGTON, D. D., Rector.
SUNDAY, DEC. 26.
8 and 11 A. M.—BISHOP DARLINGTON.
9:30 A. M.—Church School.
8 P. M.—Christmas Cantata, "Story of Bethlehem."

CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION,
Madison Av. and 35th St.
REV. H. P. SILVER, D. D., Rector.
8 and 10 A. M.—HOLY COMMUNION.
11 A. M.—Morning Prayer, Sermon, Rector.
4 P. M.—Choral Service of the combined Parish Sunday Schools.
Noonday services, 12:20 to 12:40 daily except Saturday. Music and address.
Christmas Day Services:
8 and 10 A. M.—Holy Communion.
11 A. M.—Holy Communion—Sermon, Rector.
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC.

CHAPEL OF THE INTERCESSION,
Trinity Parish, Broadway and 155th St.
8, 9, 9:45, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.
New Year's Eve, 11 P. M.
WATCH NIGHT SERVICE.

ST. ANDREW'S, 5th Av. and 127th St.
Services 8-11 A. M. and 8 P. M.
Rev. A. R. BOURG, D. D., Rector.
Christmas Carols and Sermon at Evening Service.

ST. CLEMENT'S.
423 West 46th St., West of 9th Av.
Rev. THOMAS A. SPARKS, Rector.
Services 8, 11 and 8.
CHRISTMAS MUSIC REPEATED.

ST. IGNATIUS,
West End Av. and 87th St.
Masses 8, 9:30, 11.
Vespers and Benediction, 4.

ST. JAMES',
Madison Av. and 71st St.
Rev. Frank Warfield Crowder, D. D., Rector.
8 A. M., 11 A. M.—(Rt. Rev. John G. Murray, Presiding Bishop.) 4 P. M., Children's Manger and Carol Service.

HOLY TRINITY.
In the Parish of St. James,
316 East 88th St.
Rev. Dudley S. Stark, Vicar.

Senators Indicate Congress May Air Scandal Charges Against Cobb and Speaker

CONGRESS MAY AIR BASEBALL SCANDAL

Senators Indicate They Want Jury of Fans to Pass on Cobb and Speaker Charges.

HOME TOWN ACCLAIMS COBB

Named for Mayor at Rally as He Demands That Landis Vindicate Him.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—That the latest scandal in organized baseball may receive at least a verbal airing in the Senate after Congress reassembles was indicated today when several Senators interested in the national game informally expressed the hope that the charges involving the names of Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker would be thoroughly aired before a baseball jury.

No direct appeal has been made to Commissioner Landis by any Senator so far as could be learned tonight, but Senator Harris of Georgia, which is Cobb's State, said:

"Cobb and Speaker should be given a fair trial before a baseball jury of fair-minded men. I do not think the country will be satisfied until the matter is thoroughly cleaned up. They want all the facts."

Senator Watson of Indiana made this comment:

"I do not believe the charges against Cobb and Speaker. I regard it almost as a calamity that the matter was made public at this time."

Augusta Wants Cobb for Mayor.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 24 (AP).—The old home town, where a score or more years ago Tyrus Raymond Cobb began his professional baseball career, today pledged its faith to its famous diamond son as he stood in the shadow of baseball's latest scandal.

It was Augusta's Christmas greeting, an impressive testimonial meeting, to Ty.

Gathered about the historic Confederate monument on Broad Street were leaders in the life of city and State and just the plain boys who knew and loved Cobb on the baseball field and in business life.

Cobb, standing at the foot of the monument, which was draped in American flags, told the gathering of some 500 persons that he was "sad and happy both on this occasion."

A minute later when he was proposed amid cheers for Mayor of the city, he said with a noticeable show of emotion, "No, boys, I'm a baseball player, not a politician."

L. S. Arrington, President of the Chamber of Commerce, was the speaker who placed Ty's name before the crowd for Mayor and the response was hearty.

Cobb's Family Present.

Mrs. Cobb and her children were sitting near the former Detroit manager and looked toward him smilingly.

"Let me tell you," Cobb said in his brief talk of appreciation, "I intend to clear myself of these charges before I'm through. And let me say that Tris Speaker is just as innocent as I. There was never a cleaner or more honest player than Speaker."

Cobb, in a statement tonight, asked for a formal "verdict" from Landis clearing him and Speaker. Denying reports that he had requested Landis to grant a rehearing, Cobb said:

"I do not want a rehearing; what I want is a verdict from Commissioner Landis. Both Speaker and myself are absolutely vindicated by the evidence and what we want is a verdict from Commissioner Landis through the press."

Three bands furnished music between speeches. Members of the city police and fire departments were there, too. Banners bearing such inscriptions as "Ty is still our idol and the idol of America," had been placed so as to face the player when he spoke.

Judge William H. Barrett of the United States District Court, Mayor William P. White and Judge A. L. Franklin of the Richmond County Superior Court told of the "respect and confidence borne Cobb by Augusta."

Landis Remains Silent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Reports that several United States Senators had criticized the action of Commissioner Landis in publishing testimony which charged Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker with conspiring to throw a ball game seven years ago, failed to draw a reply today from the Commissioner.

"I have nothing further to say on the situation at this time," Landis said in reply to all questions relating to the baseball scandal.

The Commissioner refused to affirm or deny that he had received a communication from Cobb, asking for the Commissioner's decision in the case, and declined to indicate what action he might take if he did receive such a request.

While the rest of the baseball world sizzled with dissatisfaction, Landis and President Ban Johnson both maintained their policy of silence.

Detroit Rallies to Cobb.

DETROIT, Dec. 24 (AP).—The reported attitude of Commissioner Landis, whose failure to make a ruling in the present baseball case, was said to be due to the opinion that none is needed inasmuch as the principals, Cobb, Speaker, Leonard and Wood are all out of organized baseball, is striking no responsive chord among Detroit baseball fans.

After an impromptu meeting of friends of Cobb here last night, a telegram was sent to the Commissioner by Joseph Benjamin, prominent merchant, criticizing Landis's failure to make known his views.

Reciting that Landis had spent weeks gathering evidence in connection with the alleged thrown game of 1919 and that three days have now passed since the statements were given out, the message declared it was time Landis told the public whether he thinks Cobb and Speaker innocent or guilty. The message concludes:

"You conducted this investigation and the public is entitled to know your opinion. If you have sufficient proof that Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker are guilty of the charges, then please let the world know. If you are of the opinion that Leonard, in a spirit of revenge, sold out his former leader by reading into a letter ideas that were not therein contained, then in justice to the men who have given their all to baseball, please tell the baseball fans and the people of America. Are these men guilty, or do you believe them to be innocent of the charges?"

'We're With You,' Chicago Boys Telegraph Cobb and Speaker

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Back in 1919 during the first shock of the famous Black Sox scandal a little boy tackled Joe Jackson as he left the Criminal Courts Building, and, with tears in his eyes, pleaded, "Please, Joe, tell us it ain't true."

There was doubt in the youngster's heart for the game he loved. Today there is no doubt in the hearts of members of the American Boys' Commonwealth, a West Side boys' club, concerning the honesty of Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker. As Christmas cheer the boys sent telegrams of encouragement to them.

"We believe in you and know you will be vindicated," was the thought of the messages. "Buck up and fight, we're with you."

STANFORD DEVISES NEW AIR OFFENSIVE

Coast Players Get Three-Hour Secret Drill—Alabama Due in Pasadena Today.

STANFORD, Cal., Dec. 24 (AP).—The Stanford football team had a snappy three-hour workout today preparatory to the intersectional game with Alabama New Year's Day at Pasadena. A last-minute hitch in the plans of Coach Warner prevented the Pacific Coast Conference champions from scrimmaging against the Eastern team of stars which plays in San Francisco Jan. 1. Only eight of the Easterners appeared on the practice field.

Warner's men went through an assortment of plays which the veteran coach confidently expects will stop Alabama. Practice today was secret, with observers confined to those having personal passes from Warner. Those fortunate enough to gain admittance to the field saw the Cards reel off an offensive that included new and varied passing formations.

Twelve Stanford players whose homes are in Southern California left to spend the holidays, but an informal practice will be held tomorrow by those remaining here. Clifford (Biff) Hoffman, regular fullback, was taken to the hospital to undergo a minor operation for an infected toe, but is expected to start against Alabama.

Alabama Drills in Arizona.

Special to The New York Times.

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 24.—The University of Alabama football players had a two and a half hour drill here today on the field of the University of Arizona, going through a defensive and offensive practice that seemed to be welcomed by the players, who are beginning to show the effects of their long journey to Pasadena, where they clash with Stanford a week from tomorrow. However, to compensate for the weariness, the warmer climate and lower altitude seemed to agree with the men and they showed plenty of speed and pep in their workout.

Chief interest was in finding a man to replace Holmes, regular centre, who suffered an attack of appendicitis in El Paso and remained behind in a hospital there. The work of plugging up this hole has fallen to Pearce and Bayne, with Pearce having the call now, apparently. Both worked out at the pivot position today.

Captain Barnes bruised his right hand in the drill today but is not likely to be kept out of the line-up against the Coast eleven. Alabama is due in Pasadena tomorrow morning and is likely to work out in the Rose Bowl tomorrow afternoon.

DALEY CHOSEN COACH AT BOSTON COLLEGE

Alumnus Is Selected to Succeed Cavanaugh as the Head Football Mentor.

NEWTON, Mass., Dec. 24 (AP).—Leo Daley, Boston College '16, a teacher-coach at the Boston English High School, signed a contract today for one year as head coach of football at Boston College. He succeeds Major Frank Cavanaugh, resigned.

The announcement also was made that Jack Heaphy, former Boston College centre, would be first assistant coach, and Joseph McKenney, captain of the 1926 team, second assistant.

The contract was made for one year at Daley's request, it was said. He will continue his high school teaching duties. Daley, since his graduation, has coached several high school and semi-professional teams. Graduates of Boston College have long expressed a desire for a graduate coach.

TWO SOCCER GAMES TODAY.

Wanderers Will Face Giants in League Match in the Bronx.

Twelve clubs of the American Soccer League will swing into action this afternoon, but only one league game will take place in New York. That match, between the Brooklyn Wanderers and the New York Giants, will be held at New York Oval in the Bronx, starting at 2:30. This encounter is certain to bring forth many a thrill, with the Brooklyn forces having a slight edge in the scoring.

Another interesting encounter will take place at Hawthorne Field in Brooklyn this afternoon, when a picked team from the International League meets an all-star eleven from the New York State Association. This contest also will begin at 2:30.

BUYS BALL CLUB FOR $25.

Sporting Goods Dealer Is the Only Bidder at Uniontown Sale.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 24 (AP).—For a cash consideration of $25 Maurice E. Meinert, a sporting goods dealer, was sole owner today of the Uniontown baseball club of the Mid-Atlantic League. Meinert acquired the franchise along with other property of the club at a Sheriff's sale to satisfy a judgment of $900 which he had obtained against it. He was the only bidder. A committee of business men raised $1,000 last Summer to carry the team through the season when it encountered financial difficulties.

Meinert, who previously had held 60 per cent. of the stock in the club, said he forced the Sheriff's sale because of disagreement with minority stockholders.

BREADON SEES FANS TURNING HIS WAY

Cards' President Says Their Wrath Is Subsiding, With Opinion Evenly Divided.

CREPE ON HIS OFFICE DOOR

One Letter Said He Was No Card But the Ace of Chumps, While Others Laud Hornsby Trade.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24 (AP).—Sam Breadon, President of the Cardinals, said today he believed he was the most unpopular man in St. Louis last Tuesday, just after he had announced the trade of Manager Rogers Hornsby to the New York Giants, but now, he added, the wrath of the fans seems to be subsiding.

Three irate fans leaped on the running board of Mrs. Breadon's automobile last Tuesday night and shouted reproaches at her until a policeman appeared.

"Aside from that incident and the fact that some one tied crepe on my office door and several dozen have written anonymous letters to me, we have not been troubled," Breadon said. "As my friends telephoned expressions of confidence and wrote me letters I revised my early percentages. I think it is about 50-50 now.

"Public Opinion Fickle."

"If a hundred fans yelled 'Hang him,' another hundred would yell, 'Oh, let the poor sap live. Give him another chance.' Public opinion is a fickle thing. You know, I've even heard them razz Hornsby."

Breadon pointed to two piles of letters on his desk.

"I like the ones on the right," he remarked. "They're favorable. I shall answer them with thanks. The ones on the left are so hot they're funny."

One of the critics wrote to Breadon: "You're not a Card, you're the ace of chumps." Another suggested the club President should be tarred and feathered.

Calls It a Gamble.

"If Hornsby burns up the league and Frisch breaks a leg and Ring has a bad year, I'll catch it," Breadon commented. "They'll razz me to a fare-you-well. However, if Hornsby slips, as he gave evidences of doing last season, and Frisch and Ring play real ball, and I get a manager who will keep us right up there in the fight, fans will say, 'Well, Sam Breadon knew his ivory, after all.' It's just a gamble. Time will tell, and if time doesn't, the bleachers will.

"Just now I only want to wish all the fans a happy Christmas."

HOCKEY INNOVATION HIT.

Critics See Flaws In Recording Chances Goalies Are Asked to Take.

Hockey critics in Canada are giving a second thought to the innovation in the National League scoring by which the number of shots the goalies are called on to stop are included. Regarded first as a valuable bit of statistics, it is now realized that the figures, though they do not lie, hardly tell what they were expected to tell. The Gazette of Montreal comments as follows:

"Among some of the innovations introduced in the National Hockey League this season, that of keeping a count of the shots which each goal keeper has to stop provides statistics which are frequently misleading. The team which has the majority of shots on the opposing goal keeper does not necessarily have the best of the play, as has been seen in games this Winter. The statistics do not show the relative threat of a goal in the various shots. One team can blaze away from the blue line all through the game and one can shoot almost two for one as compared with their opponents, yet the team working to get close quarters for a promising chance can hold the edge in play throughout.

"The shots on goal as shown by the statistics give little indication of the relative merits of play. A team like the Montreal Maroons is not likely to amass a very high record of shots on goal. For the Maroons continually work to get close in and in promising position before shooting often letting a chance for a long drive go in an effort to beat the opposing defense."

SKATING STARS ENTERED.

Gorman to Compete Jan. 1 in Middle Atlantic Meet.

More than one hundred of the leading speed skaters will compete on New Year's Day in the Middle Atlantic speeding skating championships here, according to Harry Cohen, Chairman of the Newburgh Skating Association. The holders of three of the biggest titles will be among the competitors. They are Charlie Gorman, who won the world's outdoor title when he defeated Clas Thunberg of Finland; Valentine Bialis of Lake Placid and Neil O'Farrell of Chicago.

Gorman is training at St. John and is reported to be in excellent condition. Among the metropolitan skaters who will strive to wrest the title from Gorman and bring it back to the United States is Paul Forsman.

BANKER SIXES POPULAR.

Montreal League Draws Crowds to Amateur Games.

Among the numerous amateur hockey leagues in Canada, one of the most popular is that of the various banks of Montreal which recently started its season. The Bankers' League is generally rated as playing some of the best amateur hockey inthe Dominion and its games draw large crowds. The Banque Canadienne Nationale won last year's championship after having won the year before also. This team is out to win its third title this season and thus become the permanent holders of the Canadian Bank Note Company's Cup on which it already has two legs. Other concerns represented in the league are the Bank of Montreal, the Canadian Bank of Commerce, the Royal Bank of Canada.

TRACK OUTLOOK NOT GOOD.

Eligibles at Southern California Fail to Shine in Test.

Distance running prospects at the University of Southern California are not bright, according to the results obtained at a recent cross-country run, when the eligible athletes at the institution finished only third in the annual Trojan event. The 1926 track team saw the passing of many Southern California stars from the squad and few replacements are in sight.

New U. S.-British Yacht Race Arranged; Set for 1928, Though Expected in 1927

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—A special committee of the British-American cup, after correspondence with the trustees of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club, has agreed to a series of team races for a new cup on similar lines to those of the previous contest. The committee decided to undertake the responsibility for holding these races in 1928 and the Secretary was instructed to write to America to that effect.

The British-American cup committee will discuss details of future contests with American yachting men who are to visit this country next Spring to participate in a conference under the International Yacht Racing Union.

Expected Race in 1927.

The Seawanhaka Cup was raced for last in Scotland, on the Clyde in 1925 and was won by the American Six Meter Yacht, Lanai, owned by Sherman Hoyt, from the Colla III, of the Royal Northern Yacht Club of Glasgow. The cup was brought to this country after the race, and is now held by the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club.

The London announcement scatters the impression that was held in American yachting circles that the cup would be contested for in the United States in 1927.

The races for the Seawanhaka Cup are two-yacht races.

WARNING SOUNDED ON AMATEUR GAMES

Yale Alumni Weekly Says Too Much Attention Is Paid to Mere Winning.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 24 (AP).—The Yale Alumni Weekly sees little in the American attitude "to be cheerful about as regards the future of our amateur sports."

"The English sports writers," says The Weekly, which offers, as a contrast in newspaper handling of university athletics, a reprint of recent trial races at Oxford from The London Times and a Boston paper's cartoon on the downfall of Eastern football prestige at the hands of small college teams, "are keen about matters of technique and 'form.' As a correspondent writes, they 'make a religion of it,' with us the emphasis is on beating the other fellow, form or no form.

"To win one's game is obviously what any one enters any contest for. But there is a vast difference between objecting to defeats and finding the reasons for them; between an emotional and a technical interest in athletic results. It would almost seem that we Americans (judging by our press) are wholly interested in whether we win or lose our games, very little, if at all, on why we do.

"And yet amateur sportsmanship itself emphasizes the latter almost exclusively. The effect of this highly emotional attitude of ours on football, for instance, is, in our opinion, gradually killing the game as a sport, and unless checked may very easily lead, and should lead, to radical changes in the limits allowed to it by our university authorities. When a point is reached when the sports editors give the tone to American college football (and we are pretty near that now), then the colleges for their own good may have to end it as a spectacle, so far as the public is concerned."

C. C. N. Y. VARSITY FIVE DEFEATS LEGION POST

Scores 31-21 Victory Over Quintet Composed of College Alumni —Cubs Down James Mcnroe.

The C. C. N. Y. varsity basketball team defeated the C. C. N. Y. Post of the American Legion, a team composed of alumni of the school, at the City College gymnasium last night by 31 to 21. In a preliminary game, the C. C. N. Y. freshmen defeated James Monroe High School, 20 to 12.

The line-up:

C. C. N. Y. VARSITY (31).		LEGION POST (21).
Rubenstein	L.F.	Match
Raskin	R.F.	Feariman
Goldberg	C.	Edelstein
Meisel	L.G.	Lewis
Hirsch	R.G.	Kleigel

Goals from field—Varsity: Rubenstein 4, Hirsch 4, Raskin 3, Sandak. American Legion: Match 3, Lewis 2, Feariman, Palitz, Edelstein. Goals from foul—Varsity: Raskin 3, Goldberg 3, Rubenstein. American Legion: Edelstein 2, Palitz 2, Match.

Substitutions—Varsity: Liss for Rubenstein, Liffin for Goldberg, Sandak for Meisel, Meisel for Sandak, Loshner for Meisel. American Legion: Palitz for Feariman.

Referee—Murray. Time of halves—20 minutes.

QUEENS FIVE COMING HERE.

Four Games on Schedule During Tour Starting New Year's.

The senior basketball team of Queens University in Kingston, Ont., will make its annual holiday tour to the States as usual, playing four games in the metropolitan area in five days. The first game will be on New Year's night against the Elizabeth Athletic Club in Elizabeth.

After a day's rest the team will meet the Savage School of Physical Education in New York. The next night they will meet the Crescent Athletic Club in Brooklyn and close the tour with Montclair Athletic Club on Jan. 5. Since there are many alumni from the Canadian institution in this city, a sizeable crowd is expected at each of the games.

V. P. I. DATES ARE LISTED.

Basketball Season Opens Formally on Jan. 16 Against King.

Virginia Poly launches its basketball season officially on Jan. 16 against King College, it was recently announced. With the new War Memorial Building completed, the squad will have an adequate place to practice, for the first time in a number of years. Coach Henry B. Redd, who turned out two undefeated freshman teams in the past two years, has been signed to take charge of the varsity this year. He regards the outlook as bright.

The schedule follows:

Jan. 15, King College, at Blacksburg, Va.; 19, Roanoke College, at Blacksburg; 20, Elon College, at Blacksburg; 22, University of Virginia, at Charlottesville; 26, Roanoke College, at Roanoke; 29, Virginia Military Institute, at Lexington.

Feb. 1, Davis-Elkins (pending), at Blacksburg; 3, University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill, N. C.; 4, Duke University, at Durham, N. C.; 5, North Carolina State College, at Raleigh, N. C.; 9, Lynchsburg College, at Blacksburg; 12, Washington and Lee, at Blacksburg; 16, University of Virginia (pending), at Blacksburg; 19, Virginia Military Institute, at Blacksburg; 23, Washington and Lee, at Lexington; 25, Southern Conference game, at Atlanta; 26, Southern Coference game, at Atlanta; 28, Southern Conference game, at Aalanta.

March 1, Southern Conference game, at Atlanta.

Prince of Wales Builds Courts.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Prince of Wales is having a squash racquets court built at Marlborough House to play his favorite indoor game. The court will be completed about the time the Duke of York returns from his Australian voyage, and the brothers plan many matches.

KEARNS SUIT GOES TO FEDERAL COURT

Philadelphia Action Shifted to U. S. Jurisdiction When Dempsey Counsel Agrees.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP).—Common Pleas Court today granted the petition of counsel for Jack Kearns, former manager of Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight champion, for the removal of Kearns's suit against Dempsey to the United States District Court. Counsel for Dempsey, who at first objected to the removal to the Federal Court, withdrew his opposition at the last moment.

The reason for the transfer was that with Kearns being a resident of New York and Dempsey claiming California as his home, the County Court did not have the proper jurisdiction, even though Dempsey was staying at a hotel here when served with a summons in the suit.

Kearns claims Dempsey violated the terms of a contract under which Kearns was entitled to a certain percentage of the receipts and profits of all boxing contests, theatrical engagements, or other exhibitions Dempsey should participate in. His total claim amounts to $519,000.98.

BOY GETS DELANEY GLOVES.

Souvenir of Gorman Bout Goes to Youth in Hospital.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 24 (AP).—Jack Delaney's knockout gloves used in the ring on Monday night when Bud Gorman took the count are a Christmas present which gladdened the heart of 10-year-old Robert Brennan.

Delaney, light-heavyweight champion of the world, was on a visit to St. Vincent's Hospital to give Christmas cheer to the patients, young and old. He found Bobby in bed recovering from appendicitis. He had known of the youngster's interest in the German bout for he had given to Danny, brother of Bobby, sons of Attorney Daniel E. Brennan, the gloves he wore when he whipped Jamaica Kid. Bobby got a knowing wink and a half promise that Santa Claus would be around to see him, and today the gift made the convalescent the envied of all others in the hospital and especially of the youngsters in the neighborhood.

PAOLINO HITS REPORTER.

Spanish Boxer Arrested, but Case Is Postponed by Court.

HAVANA, Dec. 24 (AP).—Paolino Uzcudun, Spanish heavyweight, was in Police Court today following an encounter last night with Pepe Conte, a Cuban newspaper man. Conte, however, was unable to appear, and Judge Del Cristo postponed the case until next Friday.

Paolino and Conte clashed last night after Conte criticized Paolino's performance in a public workout. Paolino demonstrated and policemen intervened.

Manager Bertys says Paolino will box Martin O'Grady here instead of Antolin Fierro, the Cuban heavyweight. Paolino was scheduled to fight New Year's Day.

SHORTER BOUTS DEMANDED.

English Officials Asked to Limit Rounds for Young Pros.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Complaints are pouring in upon the authorities regarding the way in which professional boxing in England permits youths of 15 and 16 to take part in long contests.

A report of the Amateur Boxing Association points out that overstraining of youngsters is not tolerated in amateur circles, and the rule governing junior competitions says: "In no case must a junior take part in a contest of more than four rounds of one and a half minutes each."

Young professional boxers are allowed to fight ten or fifteen rounds, as this has been the custom of many years.

HAGENLACHER IN FORM.

18.2 Champion in Practice Game Against Cutler—Hoppe Idle.

Eric Hagenlacher, the world's 18.2 balkline champion, engaged in a practice game with Albert G. Cutler at the Hoppe Academy yesterday morning in preparation for his championship match against Willie Hoppe at the Hotel Pennsylvania on Jan. 5, 6 and 7. Hagenlacher displayed fine form. Following his workout he made a number of special shots for the movies.

Following the practice Hagenlacher submitted to a minor operation at his home. Later in the afternoon he had recovered sufficiently to engage in a light practice at the Fourteenth Street Academy.

While Hagenlacher was in action, Hoppe was taking a brief rest. The challenger, after a strenuous Fall, has been idle since Wednesday night, but will resume action tomorrow when he meets Cutler in a three-day handicap match at the Strand.

CAPPIELLO WINS TWICE.

Beats Lewis and Leeker in Three-Cushion Play at Claridge.

Five games were played in the amateur Class C three-cushion tournament at the Claridge Academy yesterday afternoon. A. J. Cappiello defeated Al Lewis, 30 to 8, and L. C. Leeker, 30 to 26. Leeker defeated I. J. Goldberg, 30 to 16, while Goldberg triumphed over Al Lewis, 30 to 22, and Jean Del Val beat Lewis, 30 to 8.

ROSENBERG QUITS BOUT; ILL, HE SAYS

Pleads Condition Prevents Meeting With Graham Jan. 7—Commission to Investigate.

McMAHON CHANGES CARD

Receives Sanction for Catchweight Bout Between Morgan and McGraw —McTigue Match Postponed.

By JAMES P. DAWSON.

The proposed world's bantamweight championship battle between Charley (Phil) Rosenberg, the titleholder, and Bushey Graham, Utica's challenger, scheduled for Madison Square Garden on Jan. 7, will be postponed until February, according to present indications. It developed in connection with yesterday's meeting of the State Athletic Commission that Rosenberg, because of illness which interferes with his training, decided he would not fight Graham as scheduled.

Matchmaker Jess McMahon appeared before the commission and received sanction for a catchweight bout between Tod Morgan, junior lightweight champion, and Philly McGraw, Detroit's Greek lightweight, on Jan. 7. Rosenberg has been cited to appear before the commission next Tuesday. Reinstated only recently, after a long suspension, the champion faces suspension again or a period of ineligibility which will keep him idle until he defends his title against Graham.

May Draw Suspension.

Rosenberg's decision to delay the proposed Graham match followed the refusal of the commission to grant a postponement. The champion, if suspended here again, will be barred from boxing practically throughout the country, for he is under suspension in Illinois and New Jersey and is on the ineligible list of the National Boxing Association. If suspended here, the punishment will be effective in Massachusetts and Connecticut, States which have working agreements with New York.

In connection with the proposed Morgan-McGraw match there is a hitch, too. Morgan is receiving permission to engage in this bout only on the understanding that he defend his junior lightweight title against Babe Herman within forty days after the McGraw bout. In the event this arrangement does not appeal to Morgan, Matchmaker McMahon intends to arrange a bantamweight battle between Tony Canzoneri and Bud Taylor for the Jan. 7 date.

Harmon Gets Preference.

McMahon denied that he was contemplating a return meeting here between Eddie Roberts and Joe Dundee, two of the leading contenders for the welterweight title. He was instructed to match Roberts against Willie Harmon, veteran East Sider, who is regarded as a challenger for the title. George Levine, Georgie Ward and Meyer Cohen were named as likely opponents for Dundee.

The bout between Paul Berlenbach and Mike McTigue, scheduled for Jan. 14, was postponed until Jan. 28 at the request of Berlenbach. No new developments were reported in the commission's investigation of amateur boxing conditions throughout the State. It was announced that President Murray Hulbert of the Amateur Athletic Union still is engaged in his investigation. Permission was granted the Ridgewood Grove S. C., Brooklyn, to postpone until Jan. 4 its wrestling carnival scheduled for Dec. 28, and to postpone until Jan. 1 the boxing show scheduled by the club for Thursday night.

Penn Will Ask College Body For Outdoor Title Track Meet

Special to The New York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Graduate Manager Ernest B. Cozens of the University of Pennsylvania today said the Red and Blue track management would make a formal bid to have the 1927 outdoor intercollegiate track and field championships held at Franklin Field late in May.

"It is our turn to hold them" said Cozens, "and when the I. C. A. A. A. A. meets in New York in March we will present our invitation. We usually alternate with Harvard, and the Crimson acted as host last year."

SANTA CLARA OPEN WILL START TODAY

Cycle of Holes on San Jose Course Rearranged for Medal Play Tourney.

Special to The New York Times.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 24.—The sequence of the holes of the San Jose Country Club golf course was changed considerably today in preparation for the Santa Clara Valley open championship, which will be played tomorrow and Sunday with many of the most prominent professionals in the country competing.

The course measures 6,048 yards and par is 70. As the circuit was played prior to yesterday there were no par 5 holes on the first nine, which had a par of 33, with three short holes and six two-shotters. On the incoming nine the tenth, eleventh, fifteen and sixteenth were par 5 holes and the seventeenth and eighteenth were both par holes, the finishing hole being a mashie niblick shot.

To get a better distribution of the long and short holes on the round, and to accommodate the layout for the spectators, the cycle was rearranged so as to make the fifth hole the starting hole and the old fourth the finishing hole.

The tournament will be fifty-four holes of medal play, eighteen tomorrow and thirty-six Sunday. The course is in good condition and the fairways are excellent. All the prominent players who competed at Sacramento are entered except George Duncan, British veteran.

The par for the course as it will be played in the championship follows:

Hole.	Yds.	Par.	Hole.	Yds.	Par.
No. 1	244	3	No. 10	135	3
No. 2	368	4	No. 11	378	4
No. 3	163	3	No. 12	534	5
No. 4	431	4	No. 13	550	5
No. 5	301	4	No. 14	226	3
No. 6	185	3	No. 15	310	4
No. 7	471	5	No. 16	302	4
No. 8	454	5	No. 17	177	3
No. 9	384	4	No. 18	436	4

Out—Total, 3,000 yards. Par, 35.
In—Total, 3,048 yards. Par, 35.
Grand total, 6,048 yards. Par, 70.

SHARKEY SEEKS BOUTS.

Rickard Asked to Sign Maloney and Then Delaney for Him.

Jack Sharkey, Boston heavyweight, is ready to face Jack Delaney, light-heavyweight champion, and Jim Maloney, Boston heavyweight, according to a message yesterday from Johnny Buckley, Sharkey's manager. Buckley revealed that he has notified Promoter Tex Rickard to sign Sharkey for both Delaney and Maloney, the only stipulation being that the Maloney bout be the first.

ARNOLDS TRIUMPH IN FATHER-SON GOLF

Massachusetts Pair, With Handicap of 15, Turn In Net 65 at Pinehurst.

HONORS FOR HOMANS TEAM

Met. Champions' 76 Is Low Gross—O'Briens of Detroit Have Second Best Net of 69.

PINEHURST, N. C., Dec. 24.—W. P. Arnold of North Abington, Mass., and his son, W. P. Arnold Jr., won the father and son golf tournament here today when they returned a net 65 to lead by four strokes. They had a handicap of fifteen strokes.

The low gross went to Sheppard and Eugene Homans of Englewood, Metropolitan father and son champions, with a 76. Their handicap of four gave them a net 72.

In second place were P. B. O'Brien and his son, William, of Detroit, Mich. This team scored 86—17—69.

The scores of the leading teams:

W. P. Arnold and W. P. Arnold Jr., North Abington, Mass.	80—15—65
P. B. O'Brien and William O'Brien, Detroit, Mich.	86—17—69
Percy Thomson and Eric Thomson, St. Johns, N. B.	82—11—71
Sheppard Homans and Eugene Homans, Englewood, N. J.	76—4—72
Dr. Charles Paterno and Carlo Paterno, Westchester Biltmore	94—21—73
M. B. Jones and C. C. Jones, Foxhills, N. Y.	88—14—74
C. M. Rudel and T. R. Rudel, Montreal, Canada	88—13—75
H. N. Marshall and G. F. Marshall, Newton, Mass.	91—15—76
Matthew Finn and Matthew Finn Jr., Detroit, Mich.	106—30—76

AMATEUR SEXTETS IN 3 GAMES TONIGHT

Met. League Will Stage Its Second Triple-Header of Season in the Garden.

Three games tonight furnish the Metropolitan Amateur Hockey Association with the second triple-header of its season at Madison Square Garden. The games will start at 8 o'clock and are for the benefit of several Christmas funds.

Crescent A. C. will meet the Canadian Club of New York, the St. Nicholas Club will play the New York Athletic Club and the Knickerbockers will face the Seventh Regiment. New faces will appear in several of the lineups. Howell Van Gerbig, a former Princeton star, is expected in the St. Nicholas line-up.

Genaro and Montrose Matched.

A ten-round bout between Frankie Genaro, former flyweight champion, and Montrose, Sioux City flyweight, better known as Newsboy Brown, yesterday was announced as the semi-final to the world's flyweight championship bout between Fidel La Barba and Elky Clark at Madison Square Garden on Jan. 21.

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New Madison Square Garden
New York Americans
vs. New York Rangers
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Superfrank Bows to Genuine at New Orleans; Scotland Victor Over Juggler

GENUINE'S HOT PACE BEATS SUPERFRANK

Barlow Colt, Carrying 121-Pound Impost, Is Never Headed at New Orleans.

SCOTLAND TAKES HANDICAP

Beats Juggler by Length and a Half in the Ocean Springs—Edward Gray Wins His Race.

Special to The New York Times.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—Genuine, the three-year-old chestnut colt from the stable of F. W. Barlow, put another winning race behind him today when he triumphed in the fourth event on the program at Jefferson Park. Picking up 121 pounds the Sir Martin colt made all the pace and finished the five and a half furlong journey a full length in front of Superfrank.

Genuine, in his last time out here, won over the same distance, but with 107 pounds up. He stepped that race in 1:07 2-5, and his speed today is reflected in the time for this afternoon's five and a half furlongs—1:06 3-5. Off first, Genuine was never headed. For a part of the dash Dedans chased the leader, but weakened in the last hundred yards and lost the place to Superfrank.

The Ocean Springs Handicap, which featured the card, went to the favorite, J. S. Taylor's brown colt Scotland. This race at six furlongs was for two-year-olds, and eight faced the barrier. Scotland showed more staying power than usual, rushed into an early lead after getting off sixth, forced the pace and led Juggler home by a length and a half. Medley, the second choice, got up to take third money by a length from Peter Peter.

The secondary number, the Myrtle Grove Purse, furnished an exciting finish, with the verdict going to C. A. Coyle's Edward Gray, a black gelding. Edward Gray won his race in the stretch, coming up with a game rush to beat Colonel Board a nose.

"PEGGY" BETTINSON DIES IN LONDON AT 65

Former Managing Director of the National Sporting Club Was a Leader in British Sport.

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LONDON, Dec. 24.—Arthur Frederick Bettinson, better known as "Peggy" Bettinson, managing director of the National Sporting Club until a year ago and one of the best known figures in British boxing, died today, aged 65.

Bettinson was a remarkable athlete forty years ago, having been amateur boxing champion before he reached his twentieth birthday. He was also a first-class football player, an all-around cricketer and runner-up in the amateur swimming championship. He is known as one of the old Bohemians of English sports and a kindred spirit with Lord Lonsdale and Eugene Corri.

Pompano Entries.

By The Associated Press.

FIRST RACE—Purse $1,000; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five and one-half furlongs.

Blended 96	Albert L. 112
Ask Him 101	Cora Russell 105
Bim 105	Peter Brush 108
Southern Pacific 105	

SECOND RACE—Purse $1,000; claiming; two-year-olds; six furlongs.

Colleen O. 99	*Vernon 107
*Complaisance 99	*Benny Rubin 102
Three D's 106	

THIRD RACE—Purse $1,000; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five and one-half furlongs.

Kalmet 105	*Sea Net 93
Gambling Tony 101	Red Legs 105
Buzz Saw 105	Home d'Or 96
Kirk Lady 102	

FOURTH RACE—Purse $1,200; maiden two-year-olds; five and one-half furlongs.

Lady Lena 108	Libby Chase 108
Press Gang 111	Handy's Bend 115
Far Over 112	

FIFTH RACE—The Christmas Handicap; $3,000 added; all ages; six furlongs.

Hot Time 103	†Captain Donan 103
Orestes II. 104	Magic Wand 103
Reputation 110	Corinth 107
Pigeon Wing II. 108	

†Joliet Stable entry.

SIXTH RACE—Purse $1,000; claiming; four-year-olds and upward; six furlongs.

*Kinsman 107	Fast Boy 115
Black Sand 107	Sun Hathor 110
Shining Light 115	Billy Welch 112
Peter J. 115	*Pequot 107
Nightingale 115	Odd Seth 107
Monastery 115	Gloria Quayle 102
War Idol 112	

SEVENTH RACE—Purse $1,000; claiming; fillies and mares; three-year-olds and upward; one mile.

Street Lily 98	Hot Pollol 104
†Alita Allen 105	Mazetta 110
Poison 93	Royal Queen 109
Freya 105	Mollies Locket 105
*Atomin 97	Parmachenee Belle 101

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

Weather clear; track fast.

Havana Entries.

By The Associated Press.

FIRST RACE—Purse $700; claiming; two-year-olds; five and one-half furlongs.

Rocklight 109	Wee Wee 109
Serrilla 103	Manipulator 106
*Matador 101	Magnus 106
Silver Tips 103	Jane Elizabeth 112
Newt 109	*Mayhar 98
Galiano 106	Touchdown 106
Lady Parker 103	Peter M. 115
Sporting Life 103	Betty Elvira 106
Caplinger 112	*Mr. Plaid 107

SECOND RACE—Purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five and one-half furlongs.

*Kalakaua 105	*El'Oudaine 99
*Rimple 105	Winding Through. 107
End Man 110	Perroquet 113
*Sarasppa 102	*Trafalgar 105
General Seth 107	

THIRD RACE—Purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five and one-half furlongs.

Barko 110	Lillie D. 104
Janetta 104	Village of Hit 107
*Director 105	Brier Hill 110
Oblique 107	John Marrone 2n. 110
Larelet 107	

FOURTH RACE—Purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five and one-half furlongs.

*Andresito 101	*Three Sixty 101
Belle of Elizabeth-town 108	Merry Monarch 105
Foretell 104	Laferte 107

FIFTH RACE—The Christmas Handicap; purse $1,200; two-year-olds; one mile and fifty yards.

†Antonio 93	‡Pandy 98
Delphrizonia 110	Sun Dance 97
St. John 107	‡Flying Cloud 112
†Carom 108	†Sporting Editor .. 95
Federalist 100	Anaconda 108
‡Diagram 102	

†Fisher entry. ‡J. A. Parsons entry. §Meehan Bros. entry.

SIXTH RACE—Purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; one mile and a furlong.

Scrapa 102	Hickory 107
Vendor 107	*Clean 102
Lindean 104	*Henry S. 102
Sunny Hill 107	Slanderer 107
†Pepperette 99	

SEVENTH RACE—Purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; one mile and a furlong.

Rona Ronan 104	*Papoose 100
*Son of Tromp 102	*Cabin Creek 102
*Ink 99	Fusileer 107
*Attractive 99	The Ally 107
*Barrister 102	Dantzic 107

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

Weather clear; track fast.

Fowler of U. S. Buys 'Chasers To Race on English Courses

NEWMARKET, England, Dec. 24 (AP).—Another American, H. Fowler, has become interested in steeplechasing in England and has purchased three jumpers, and he is credited with the intention of entering them in various races. They are Daydawn, Golden Peace and Pop Ahead.

RACING AT POMPANO WILL START TODAY

Track to Be Second to Open in Florida This Winter—Garrison Is an Official.

Special to The New York Times.

POMPANO, Fla., Dec. 24.—A capacity crowd is expected to attend the inaugural racing program of the Pompano Horse Club here tomorrow afternoon. Paul M. Beacom, President of the Club, announced tonight that the final work on the plant had been completed. Special trains are to be run from Miami and Palm Beach.

The number of horses stabled here is rather small, but the overnight cards are good. The racing strip is in fine shape, light showers having put it on edge.

The racing here will be governed by Samuel C. Nuckols, E. C. Smith and E. H. (Snapper) Garrison, one-time famous jockey. The starter will be Harry Morrissey, the well-known Kentucky breeder and horseman. Seven races are carded for the opening day, with purses running from $1,000 to the $3,000 which will be hung up for the featured race, the Christmas Handicap.

Grange's Injury Cancels Game.

WACO, Texas, Dec. 24 (AP).—An injury to Red Grange's knee has caused the cancellation of a Christmas Day football game here between Grange's Yankees and George Wilson's Wildcats.

Tijuana Results.

By The Associated Press.

FIRST RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five furlongs.

Canny Lady, 105...(Winters) 9.80 3.20 2.40
Scottish Lad, 108...(Gotterup) .. 2.40 2.20
Chief Sponsor, 110...(Baker) 2.20

Time—1:04 1-5. Dan Hogan, Miss Omond, Saw Day, First Pullet, Ben and Esther Clark also ran.

SECOND RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five furlongs.

Income, 105.....(Dalton) 6.20 3.00 2.60
Faithful Girl, 106...(Hiser) .. 10.40 5.40
Billy D., 120.....(Petzoldt) 5.00

Time—1:04 3-5. Mary Kinkead, Chet, Elmira Sol, Forty Two and Dew Bank also ran.

THIRD RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; one mile and seventy yards.

Tight, 105.....(Robertson) 28.60 9.00 7.00
Peninsul, 106.....(Hiser) .. 14.80 9.00
Full o' Fun, 110...(Deford) 5.80

Time—1:32. Roller, Hardman, Lady Chico, Aristotle and Nancy Winet also ran.

FOURTH RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; clubhouse course (220 feet less than a mile).

Matinee Idol, 105...(Mazoue) 23.60 12.00 5.40
Jay Roberts, 110.....(West) .. 21.60 6.80
Bank Jr., 105.....(Gotterup) 3.60

Time—1:43 1-5. The Franciscan, Fehrah, Doc McMahon, Irish Brigadier and Common Gold also ran.

FIFTH RACE—The Flapper; purse $800; two-year-olds; four and one-half furlongs.

Somers Heir, 110.(Craigmile) 18.80 6.00 2.60
Tetra Glass, 118..(Bourassa) .. 10.60 4.20
Prisoner, 118.....(Taplin) 2.60

Time—0:57. First Dance, Sun Affinity, Gum Boots, Conquistador and Worthwhile also ran.

SIXTH RACE—Purse $900; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; six furlongs.

Modo, 99.....(Cooper) 177.80 21.40 6.40
Frances Rock, 109...(Barr) .. 4.00 2.80
Escapader, 112.....(Baker) 3.40

Time—1:18 1-5. Nell Maxim, Rosamond and Island Fairy also ran.

SEVENTH RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; seven furlongs.

Full Point, 112.....(Jones) 3.60 3.00 2.80
Stroller, 112.....(Baker) .. 3.80 3.60
Edmon, 104.....(Willingham) 4.60

Time—1:03 2-5. Lady Rose, Queen Anna Marie, Bonnie Lizzie, Cap and Gown and Boomerang also ran.

EIGHTH RACE—Purse $800; claiming; fillies and mares, three-year-olds and upward; six furlongs.

Conclusive, 112.....(Mantz) 13.60 6.80 3.80
Belle K., 116.....(Peternell) .. 4.60 3.20
Miss Ida Brown, 112.(Dalton) 4.00

Time—1:17. Lady Berildon, Seclusion, Emma Hoagland, Kitty B., Miss Emmert and Belle of Milton also ran.

Weather clear; track heavy.

Tijuana Entries

By The Associated Press.

FIRST RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five furlongs.

Virginia Morse ..110	Zucca 107
Stardale 107	†Income 113
Ladie Broadwater 110	Cloporte 116
*Bill McCloy 111	Dry Joe 107
Big Wig 110	My Friend Pat ..110
Vanderburg 116	Hypnotic 110
Bessie Hope 116	Rumpreserve 114
Quoin 110	Specialist 107
Nan McKinney ..110	Virginia Hedwig ..107
Karonga 110	†Scottish Lad 113
May Flower 110	

†Irby entry.

SECOND RACE—Purse $800; claiming; two-year-olds; four and one-half furlongs.

Lajolla 108	Silver Strand ..108
Simon Kenton ..104	Josie Hartman ..104
Roper 112	Normile 104
Dangerous Dan ..108	Buddy Clark 112
Shasta Rock 112	Combs 111

THIRD RACE—Purse $800; claiming; all ages; five and one-half furlongs.

Assault 94	Canny Lady 103
Weathervane 98	Our Seth 110
D. H. Johnston 110	Dover 107
Jago 110	Senator Crow 107
Ask John 110	Ethel Brown 107
Shasta Rapids 110	Lampo 110
Tailteann 110	Ike Harvey 113

FOURTH RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; clubhouse course.

Wee Girl 107	*Smart Guy 103
*Valor 107	*Wonder Light ..107
*James B. Brown. 110	*Kilauea 110
Mart Bunch 112	*Keala 107
Mulciber 112	Royal Oak 112
Wrangler 118	

FIFTH RACE—The Christmas Handicap; purse $1,500; three-year-olds and upward; six furlongs.

†American Son ..113	Paavo 118
‡Bonnie Omar 113	‡Rolla Royce 117
§Elector 94	Pegasus 115
†Tamarind 110	Firm Friend 100
‡Pat 118	Deep Thought 111
Bookbinder 109	

†La Brea entry. ‡Drumheller entry. §Sengram entry.

SIXTH RACE—The Miramar Claiming Handicap; purse $1,000; three-year-olds and upward; one mile and seventy yards.

†Sweepstakes 115	Jack Fairman ... 96
Herod's Prince 108	Royal Princess ... 97
†Begonia 104	‡Cup Bearer 112
Sandcliff 108	Frank Gallor 105
Crossbow 99	‡The World 112
Trapmint 103	Booze Boyer 96

†Hunter entry. ‡Abbott entry.

SEVENTH RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; seven furlongs.

*Cadmus 100	*El Cid 100
Ormesvale 111	Viola Burton 114
*Snowcap 106	*Scotland Forever. 107
*Pud 104	Delectable 112
Prince James 114	Sister Josella 112
*Melachrino 110	*My Daddy 104
Allsie 97	Poppina 107
*The Falconer 107	*The Corsair 103

EIGHTH RACE—Purse $800; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; five and one-half furlongs.

*Coffield 100	*Hilarity 103
*Robroy 101	*Kallke 100
*Sunny Maid 101	Lahonton 111
*Knighthood 104	Rey Schee 108
*Follow Me 102	*Stardust 103
*Rock Bottom 102	Queen Catharine. 111
Remnant 106	Downtown 108
*Queen A. Marie. 101	

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

Weather clear; track heavy.

JEFFERSON PARK CHART

By The Associated Press.

New Orleans, Friday, Dec. 24. Weather clear; track fast.

1871 FIRST RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; purse $1,000; claiming; six furlongs. Start good; won driving; place same. Winner, ch. f., 3, by St. Rock—Elizabeth D. R. Trainer, A. B. Maguire. Time—0:24⅘, 0:48⅘, 1:14⅘.

Ind.	Starters.	Wt.	P.	P.	St.	¼	½	⅝	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	St.	Pl.	Sh.
1775	*Cliff	104½	3	3	1½	1½	1²	1¹½	1hd	Crowell	20.20	7.40	4.00
1737²	Byway	108	1	1	7²	7³	5¹	3½	2½	Chalmers	6.80	3.60	3.20
—	Col. Schooler	105	11	8	3¹½	3½	4½	4¹½	3¹	Lynch	18.20	....	5.20
—	Dr. Hickman	110	12	1	2½	2¹½	2½	2½	4³	Petreca	7.60	....	....
—	Clem Theisen	110	2	6	6½	4½	6¹	6¹	5hd	J. O'Brien	26.60	....	....
—	Stonage	105	5	11	11²	11³	11²	11³	6¹½	Arnold	87.60	....	....
1787²	Realist	103	6	4	4hd	5½	3½	2½	7½	M. Hurn	30.60	....	....
—	Sweet Money	105	10	9	9³	9¹	8³	8hd	8½	Steinhart	61.20	....	....
1787	Loyal H.	108	7	10	10¹	10¹	9½	9²	9³	Moore	22.80	....	....
1760	*Cobra	110	9	5	8¹	8¹	10²	10²	10⁴	M. Garner	20.20	....	....
1787	Ch't'g Cheaters.	105	8	2	5hd	2½	2½	7½	11²	Hutton	48.80	....	....
1737	*Royal Kiss	101	4	12	12	12	12	12	12	F.Whitaker	20.20	....	....

*Field.

Scratched—Last Cent, Kenstone State, Joy Ride, Angle Plane, Samaron and Peter Decoy.

Cliff, away fast, set a stiff pace and held on gamely in a drive. Byway, on the extreme outside, closed fast and would have won in a few more strides. Colonel Schooler was in close quarters all the way, but finished with a rush on the inside. Dr. Hickman tired following the pace. Clem Theisen will do soon. He was forced to race wide all the way.

Owners—1, A. Schiro; 2, Mrs. A. Swenke; 3, J. J. Greeley; 4, J. H. Nicholson; 5, M. Goodpaster; 6, W. A. Baumgartner; 7, W. P. Gaines; 8, F. W. Barlow; 9, J. T. Brown; 10, G. P. Fought; 11, M. Nicoli; 12, Mrs. W. J. Potter.

1872 SECOND RACE—Maiden fillies, two-year-olds; purse $1,000; five and one-half furlongs. Start good; won easily; place driving. Winner, ch. f., 2, by Atwell—Stamps. Trainer, E. Davis. Time—0:23⅘, 0:48⅘, 1:08⅘.

Ind.	Starters.	Wt.	P.	P.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	St.	Pl.	Sh.
1850	Tirza	115	7	7	6³	6³	4³	1²	E. Martin	5.00	3.40	3.80
1829	Flora Le Bret.	115	3	1	1¹½	1hd	1½	2hd	M. Hurn	36.80	14.40	8.60
1857²	Bride's Cup	115	2	2	3¹	2hd	2½	3²	Canfield	14.40	....	3.60
1832	War Grail	115	10	4	2½	3¹½	3½	4¹½	Ellis	6.80	....	....
1860	Faithful Friend.	115	5	6	5hd	4hd	5²	5¹	Crump	34.80	....	....
—	Sun Up	115	9	10	7²	8³	7²	6²	L. Morris	247.00	....	....
1850	Boot's Last	115	1	3	9¹	6¹	9²	7²	Lauscher	180.40	....	....
1850	Indian Spirit	115	8	5	4hd	5½	6²	8²	Connelly	14.20	....	....
—	Eva M.	115	6	8	8³	7²	8¹	9¹⁰	Wester'ff	234.40	....	....
1843	Smile Awhile	115	4	9	10	10	10	10	F.Whit're	130.60	....	....

Scratched—Doradel, Lella, Mercedes E. and My Pet.

Tirza, on the outside in the early part, closed with a rush in the last sixteenth and won galloping. Flora Le Breton had plenty of speed and held on well. Bride's Cup ran a good race. War Grail tired following the pace. Indian Spirit can do better.

Owners—1, R. E. Wallace; 2, Frussett and Wood; 3, S. N. Holman; 4, C. Ferraro; 5, Audley Farm; 6, International Stable; 7, Barnett and Seamster; 8, A. W. Klovala; 9, E. L. Fitzgerald; 10, E. M. Foster.

1873 THIRD RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; purse $1,000; claiming; one mile and three-sixteenths. Start good; won easily; place driving. Winner, b. c., 3, by Sir Barton—Sand Fair. Trainer, T. J. Carroll. Time—0:25⅘, 0:49⅘, 1:13⅘, 1:42⅘, 2:02⅘.

Ind.	Starters.	Wt.	P.	P.	St.	¼	½	⅝	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	St.	Pl.	Sh.
1845³	Sir Maurice	107	12	1	1¹	8¹	2¹½	1¹	1¹	Workman	5.20	3.20	2.80
1851	Drowsy Waters.	107	5	9	2¹	1½	1¹½	2³	2½	Cooper	11.00	7.40	5.00
1855	Taylor Hay	107	7	7	9¹	6¹	4³	3¹½	3²	Dubois	35.40	....	8.40
1838	Doughoregan	107	4	11	8hd	7³	5¹	5²	4hd	Craver	208.40	....	....
1851	West Point	103	11	8	1¹	5¹	7¹	6²	5hd	M. Hurn	63.20	....	....
1838	Rocksea	100	8	6	5¹	8hd	9²	8³	6²	Russell	60.80	....	....
1838³	Reveillon	107	10	2	3¹	2½	3¹	4²	7³	Arnold	7.80	....	....
1855	Van Patrick	107	3	10	10²	11³	10²	9¹	8⁴	D. Smith	22.40	....	....
—	Mystic	107	6	3	4¹	4¹	3¹	7¹	9²	Hutton	167.80	....	....
1834	*Faenza	107	2	4	7¹	9²	8²	10³	10³	McElroy	36.80	....	....
1859	*Famous Blue	105	1	5	11²	10hd	11²	11¹⁰	11¹⁰	L.Whitaker	36.80	....	....
1822	*Frances Jane	112	9	12	12	12	12	12	12	J. Smith	36.80	....	....

*Field.

Scratched—Four Sixty, Untried, Little Ammie, Uncle Hugh, Delphi and Sir Ralph.

Sir Maurice was much the best. He was carried out on the lower turn by Reveillon and was eased back in the run down the back stretch. However, he went up fast next to the rail and took the lead in the stretch to win galloping. Drowsy Waters forced the pace and held on well. Taylor Hay closed a big gap. Doughoregan was running strongly at the end. Reveillon was very rank. He wanted to run out on all the turns.

Owners—1, T. J. Carroll; 2, D. Lehan; 3, J. S. Taylor; 4, M. Bowles; 5, Mrs. P. M. Sturm; 6, Audley Farm; 7, H. Jacobs; 8, H. T. Johnson; 9, W. T. Magruder; 10, R. Cooper; 11, C. Graffagnini; 12, A. F. Dayton.

1874 FOURTH RACE—All ages; purse $1,000; claiming; five and one-half furlongs. Start good; won easily; place driving. Winner, ch. c., 3, by Sir Martin—Dependable. Trainer, T. R. Modeland. Time—0:23⅘, 0:47⅘, 1:06⅘.

Ind.	Starters.	Wt.	P.	P.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	St.	Pl.	Sh.
(1846)	Genuine	121	2	1	1¹	1¹½	1¹	1¹	Steinhart	3.40	2.60	2.20
—	Superfrank	114	4	4	5³	4hd	4³	2hd	Crump	48.80	18.20	5.40
(1783)	Dedans	121	6	2	2½	3²	2½	3½	W. Garner	12.40	....	3.60
1852	Gad	101	3	3	3¹	2hd	3²	4³	Whitacre	11.40	....	....
1846²	Forward Pass	111	5	5	4¹	5¹⁰	5¹⁰	5²	G. Johnson	18.60	....	....
—	Pat Calhoun	117	1	6	6	6	6	6	J. Smith	173.60	....	....

Scratched—Smoky Day.

Genuine was much the best and handled his weight well. He made all the pace and easily held Superfrank safe. The latter closed with a rush and was a fast-going second. Dedans had plenty of speed but weakened fast in the last hundred yards. Gad showed a flash of speed around the turn but weakened fast in the stretch. Pat Calhoun will win at a longer distance.

Owners—1, F. W. Barlow; 2, Audley Farm; 3, H. P. Whitney; 4, Mrs. W. J. Potter; 5, L. Rosenberg; 6, J. L. Ledoux.

1875 FIFTH RACE—The Ocean Springs Handicap; two-year-olds; purse $1,200; six furlongs. Start good; won driving; place same. Winner, br. c., 2, by Light Brigade—Elizabeth M. Trainer, J. T. Taylor. Time—0:24⅘, 0:48⅘, 1:14⅘.

Ind.	Starters.	Wt.	P.	P.	St.	¼	½	⅝	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	St.	Pl.	Sh.
1847²	Scotland	113	6	6	1hd	1½	1½	1½	1½	W. Garner	7.40	6.60	7.00
—	Juggler	106	4	3	3¹	2½	2¹½	2¹½	2½	Lynch	86.80	50.00	15.00
1803	Medley	106	1	4	2²	3³	3²	3²	3¹	G. Johnson	10.80	....	7.00
(1769)	aPeter Peter	114	5	1	5¹	5½	3½	3³	4³	Ellis	4.20	....	....
(1818)	Henry Sommers.	104	7	8	4½	3hd	4¹½	4³	5⁴	D. Smith	49.80	....	....
—	Creek Indian	117	2	5	7¹	7²	7¹	6³	6³	Crump	20.20	....	....
1847³	Comrade	115	3	2	2½	4hd	5¹	7²	7³	H. Burke	34.40	....	....
1813²	aThrace	117	8	7	6½	6hd	6hd	8	8	J. Thomas	4.20	....	....

a Greentree Stable entry.

Scotland, showing more staying power than usual, rushed into the lead, forced all the pace and held on gamely. Juggler followed the pace closely and was going strongly at the end. Medley broke well, but dropped right out of contention. Later he came around the field and finished with a rush. Peter Peter broke fast but was outrun. He showed a poor effort. Thrace lacked speed. Henry Sommers had no mishaps.

Owners—1, J. S. Taylor; 2, A. H. Waterman; 3, F. M. Kelly 4, Greentree Stable entry; 5, F. M. Grabner; 6, Audley Farm; 7, Shoestring Stable; 8, Greentree Stable.

1876 SIXTH RACE—The Myrtle Grove; all ages; purse $1,000; one mile. Start good; won driving; place same. Winner, blk. g., 6, by Von Tromp—Bonsetta. Trainer, A. Galgnard. Time—0:24⅘, 0:48⅘, 1:14⅘, 1:40⅘.

Ind.	Starters.	Wt.	P.	P.	St.	¼	½	⅝	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	St.	Pl.	Sh.
1769	Edward Gray	108	7	6	3¹	2¹	2¹	2¹	1no	J. Smith	13.00	6.60	5.00
1765	Col. Board	112	6	4	2hd	1¹	1¹½	1hd	2¹½	M. Garner	7.80	5.20	3.80
1741²	Resourceful	105	3	2	8¹	8¹	7²	3²	3⁸	G. Johnson	10.80	....	3.80
—	Buttress	108½	6	7	6²	6hd	6¹	4²	4¹	Connelly	91.80	....	....
1849	Drone	112	2	9	9	9	9	6¹	5⁴	Crump	164.40	....	....
1770²	Peacemaker	93	4	8	7²	7²	8¹	9	6¹	Mazoue	57.80	....	....
—	Canister	105	9	5	4³	4²	4²	5½	7⁵	Horn	22.40	....	....
1860	Glenning	97	1	3	5²	5¹	3hd	7²	8¹⁰	Smith	11.80	....	....
(1863)	Overdraft	108	5	1	1²	3²	5hd	8hd	9	S. Cooper	11.00	....	....

Scratched—Ballot Brush and Mayne.

Edward Gray, under a good ride, closed gamely in the stretch and was up to win in the last stride. Col. Board was weakly ridden in the last hundred yards. Resourceful closed a big gap. Buttress ran a good race. Overdraft tired badly.

Owners—1, C. A. Coyle; 2, M. Lowenstein; 3, F. M. Kelly; 4, R. A. Fairbairn; 5, K. Spence; 6, J. Muth; 7, Mrs. W. J. Owen; 8, Pearsall and Crozer; 9, S. N. Holman.

1877 SEVENTH RACE—Three-year-olds and upward; purse $1,000; claiming; one mile and a sixteenth. Start good; won driving; place same. Winner, ch. g., 3, by Prince Pal—Playful Edith. Trainer, P. Renter. Time—0:23⅘, 0:48⅘, 1:13⅘, 1:40⅘, 1:47⅘.

Ind.	Starters.	Wt.	P.	P.	St.	¼	½	⅝	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	St.	Pl.	Sh.
1841²	Billy Witt	109	5	3	2¹	2¹	2¹	1hd	1hd	Craver	28.80	10.60	5.60
1821²	Delhi Boy	115	3	5	1¹½	1¹	1¹½	2²	2⁸	M. Garner	8.40	5.20	3.60
1845²	Bolivar Bond	107	6	8	8¹	7½	3¹	3³	3³	McElroy	16.20	....	4.00
1792	King O'Neill II.	110	7	9	6¹	6¹	6hd	4¹½	4¹½	Lynch	22.20	....	....
1848	Olympic	111	9	4	5²	5¹	5½	6³	5²	Phillips	91.80	....	....
(1835)	Levoy	110	4	6	5hd	3hd	4¹	5²	6¹	Dubois	30.80	....	....
(1830)	Optimist	115	1	7	9	8¹	8¹⁰	7¹	7¹⁰	Crump	9.80	....	....
1835²	Lawless	107	8	1	4²	4hd	7hd	8²	8⁴	Workman	7.60	....	....
1835	Gratteur	106	2	3	7²	9	9	9	9	H. Brown	187.20	....	....

Billy Witt closed gamely and just got up to win. Delhi Boy showed plenty of speed and held on well. Bolivar Bond broke slowly and was taken wide but closed with a rush. King O'Neill II. ran a good race.

Owners—1, P. Reuter; 2, H. Mart; 3, Pueblo Stable; 4, W. R. Kirkpatrick; 5, C. P. Smith; 6, Mrs. F. Farrar; 7, T. W. Nicol; 8, M. Goldblatt; 9, Mrs. T. McElroy.

Seminola Park Results.

By The Associated Press.

FIRST RACE—Purse $700; claiming; all ages; six furlongs.

Good Time, 110.....(Healy) 3.40 2.60 2.60
Monteagle, 99...(Armstrong) 5.60 10.40
John Joseph, 102.....(Ryan) 4.20

Time—1:15 2-5. Betty Mae, Shamrock Flower, Madame Vennie, Request, Mandy, Last Friar and Paladin also ran.

SECOND RACE—Purse $700; claiming; all ages; six furlongs.

Round Robin, 110(Pascuma) 2.80 2.40 2.20
Dee, 106.....(Healy) 3.60 2.20
The Law, 112.....(Banks) 2.80

Time—1:13 2-5. Sun Sprite, Copyright, Lena R. and L'Eclair also ran.

THIRD RACE—Purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; one mile.

Billy O'Hare, 104(Armstr'g) 7.20 3.80 2.80
Barber Bill, 98...(Pascuma) 3.20 3.20
Delysia, 101.....(Healy) 3.80

Time—1:42 2-5. Brockles

CHALIAPIN WHISPERS UNABLE TO SING

His Role in "Faust" Sung by Rothier, Who Rushes to the Stage After Hasty Summons.

QUICK MEPHISTO MAKE-UP

Lauri-Volpi Also Suffers From a Cold, but Sings "Over It" in Most of the Passages.

Christmas Eve at the Metropolitan Opera House recalled the first performance ever sung in that theatre forty-three years ago, with the work that became a cornerstone of the old "Faustspielhaus" for a generation. To one who heard "Faust" in that first season there was a thrill last night in the tuning up of fiddles for the lively, old-fashioned "Faust" waltzes. It was perennial youth that shouted again in Lauri-Volpi's salute to "la jeunesse" in the vision of Goethe's and Gounod's Marguerite. A holiday house laughed outright at Rothier's "Oof, oof," and Miss Egener's genuine shriek when the Devil scared Siebel away from Nuremburg's kirmess dancers.

Feodor Chaliapin, who was to have sung a temporary farewell till the later weeks of the Spring season, telephoned in a whisper from his hotel Ansonia rooms late in the afternoon that he could not appear, though it cost him some thousands of dollars' loss out of his Christmas stocking. Leon Rothier, located after brief delay, was at dinner with friends. The French basso reached the opera house in time to rush breathlessly on the stage in Mephisto's quickest make-up.

Lauri-Volpi, too, had a cold, but "sang over it" successfully in all but the most tender lyric passages, the young Italian tenor's manly bearing and robust style giving a realistic impetus to the familiar "Faust" love story. Mme. Alda, already heard as Gounod's heroine this season, reappeared in familiar guise and firm command of her voice. Miss Howard was Dame Marthe, Mr. Basiola the Valentine and Mr. Wolfe a youthful Wagner, fresh from trimming his own children's Christmas tree.

The opera house disclosed no holiday incidents such as the old-time Caruso shower of gold pieces to hundreds of employes, or the famous Farrar dressing-room Christmas tree with individual gifts to all hands round. There was one personal note in the reappearance of Miss Egener, in private life Mrs. Hasselmans, who replaced Miss Dalossy as Siebel, while her husband conducted.

Colds and substitutions to the contrary notwithstanding, there was a generous cheerfulness prevailing. Not a dollar, it was said, was demanded back at the box office, and the busy company's routine performance of the old work gave pleasure to a representative New York audience that recalled fond and fragrant memories of the "Fausts" of other years.

MOTHER WINS SCHOOL PLEA

Bus Service Inadequate, She Is Repaid for Expense of Boarding Girl.

Special to The New York Times.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 24.—When adequate transportation is not provided for a pupil living at a distance from school, the parents are justified in boarding the child within reach of the school and submitting the bill to the local Board of Education for payment. State Education Commissioner Logan so held today in ordering the Board of Education of Washington Township, Morris County, to pay Mrs. Eva Bird $80 she had spent for the board of her daughter between last March and the close of the school year. It was further directed that proper school facilities be provided for the girl for the rest of the present term.

The case started last March, when it was shown that the transportation schedule did not take the girl to the Long Valley High School until 10:30 A. M. and sometimes compelled her to return home after dark. It was ordered at that time that some other arrangement be made and that the mother be reimbursed. The second schedule still was unsatisfactory, and the mother continued to board her daughter and again appealed to Mr. Logan.

Newburgh Leads War on Diphtheria

Newburgh, a city of 35,000, has developed the best local campaign of the year in the effort to eradicate diphtheria from New York State by the end of 1930, it is asserted in the current issue of The S. C. A. A. News, organ of the State Charities Aid Association. The drive was financed entirely from Christmas seal sale funds, The News said. About 2,500 children were immunized. Physicians gave medical service without charge.

NORMAN THOMAS ASKS AID FOR MILL STRIKERS

Wants Steady Flow of Relief Funds to Passaic—Fears Suffering May Retard Settlement.

Norman Thomas, Chairman of the Emergency Committee for Strikers' Relief, made an appeal yesterday for the relief of the families of the textile strikers at Passaic, N. J. Mr. Thomas said:

"Christmas Day makes it appropriate to call attention to the urgent need for continued relief for the families of Passaic strikers. The strike is not over. One of the largest and several of the smaller mills have not yet settled. In the Botany Mills, which have settled, various circumstances mean that it may take as long as a month before anything like the normal number of workers will be back on the job. Meanwhile the very encouraging progress toward settlement has been interpreted as a complete victory and relief has almost entirely stopped coming in.

"Think what it means to thousands of workers and their children in the middle of Winter, after an eleven months' strike, to be cut off from relief at this Christmas season. Hungry children cannot be fed on hope of next week's or next month's bread.

"Think what it will mean for orderly industrial progress in America if at this last moment the utter failure of relief should turn victory into defeat. That defeat would be for the wise and moderate leadership of the United Textile Workers and for the extraordinary morale and courage of thousands of strikers, most of them foreign born. Let no one think that such a defeat would mean peace in Passaic or in the textile industry generally. It might mean a period of dull and sullen despair—such despair as in time becomes the mother of violent revolt. The settlements with the Botany Mills and a number of others mark the beginning of better conditions and of something like orderly self-government in industry. Such opportunities must not be lost at the last moment. I have too much confidence in the workers to imagine that they will be lost. So far as I am aware the mills which have settled are acting in good faith. It is, however, obvious to everybody that hunger at this holiday time, when victory seemed to be in the grasp of the strikers, may have an effect even more disastrous than the immediate suffering it causes. Lovers of children, believers in the possibility of orderly progress in a great industry, comrades and sympathizers with these truly heroic workers, can render an enormous service by keeping up a steady flow of relief funds, at least for the next month. Such funds should be sent promptly. They may be directed to the Emergency Committee for Strikers' Relief, 799 Broadway, New York, or to the General Relief Committee, 743 Main Avenue, Passaic, N. J."

SHOT BY POLICE PISTOL.

Friend of Patrolman Accidentally Discharges Weapon in Home.

John Ryan, 24 years old, of 20 First Street, Brooklyn, a friend of Patrolman Thomas Connelly of the Poplar Street Precinct, was examining the service pistol of the policeman at the Connelly home, 270 Court Street, Brooklyn, early yesterday when the weapon was accidentally discharged and the bullet entered Ryan's mouth and lodged in the back of his neck. He was taken to Cumberland Hospital, where it was said his condition was critical.

Patrolman Connelly said Ryan, a lifetime friend, had gone to the drawer of a bureau in the bedroom and taken out the pistol while the policeman was in another room. Connelly heard the shot and Ryan's cry of pain, and summoned a taxicab in which he took the injured man to the hospital.

Police Captain George Kauff of the Poplar Street Station questioned Connelly and then later questioned Ryan at the hospital and announced that the stories told by the two coincided and that the policeman was exonerated of all blame.

HEIR TO $2,628,000.

Albany Club Entertainer Is Inheritor of Estate in France.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 24.—One of William R. Corthey's Christmas presents is $2,628,000.

An entertainer at a night club and 29 years old, Mr. Corthey said today he had verified through the French Embassy at Washington that he is the heir to his grandfather's estate in France.

He wants to be a moving picture exhibitor with a chain of theatres.

FEAR THAT TINNEY'S CAREER IS ENDED

Slight Chance of His Return to the Stage, Says Physician at Naval Hospital.

MENTAL CONDITION GRAVE

Victim of a Nervous Break-Down Last September—All Hope of His Recovery Not Yet Given Up.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP).—Discouraging reports on the condition of Frank Tinney, blackface comedian, came from the Naval Hospital here today.

Tinney has shown no improvement since he entered the Naval Hospital on Dec. 12. He has been suffering from a nervous breakdown since he was stricken on the stage in Detroit in September. No one is permitted to see him except his brother Joseph, who lives here, nurses and physicians.

"We fear," said a hospital physician today, "that Mr. Tinney will never again be able to return to the stage. Although we hope for the best, the chances of his complete recovery are slight. Physically his condition is comparatively good, but mentally it is very grave. He is able to be up some of the time. At first his condition gave us some encouragement, but these periods are becoming less frequent. We have not yet, however, given up all hope of his recovery."

Tinney was born in this city and worked for two undertakers, a department store and a jeweler and ran an elevator in an office building. His first stage engagement was at an entertainment given by the Parochial School he attended. His family sent him to Texas for his health when he was about 20. Upon his return he joined Barlow's Minstrels as a musician at $10 a week. Later he was raised to $25, but lost the job when he asked for an increase of 28 cents with which to get his laundry.

Then Tinney set out for himself, doing all sorts of musical turns in the Middle West. It was in Maysville, Ky., in 1905, that he inaugurated the idea of cracking jokes with the leader of the orchestra. Until then he had been billed as the "only rival of Paderewski." Finding that his jokes and monologues brought laughter, Tinney soon blossomed into a comedian with an international reputation. He once played for a year at the Palace Music Hall in London.

Minister Ordered to Support Wife.

At the conclusion of a hearing in Family Court yesterday, Magistrate Louis B. Brodsky ordered the Rev. Samuel E. St. Amant, an Adventist minister, of 537 West 156th Street, to pay $7 weekly allmony to the support of his wife, Mrs. Ruth Crane St. Amant, who had summoned him to court a few weeks ago for alleged non-support. On Dec. 8 the minister filed in answer a fourteen-page affidavit, containing about 7,000 words, in which he alleged his wife was mentally unbalanced.

TO CONTINUE BLAST INQUIRY

Gas Company Employes Deny Leak in Mains at Baldwin.

Special to The New York Times.

MINEOLA, L. I., Dec. 24.—A second sitting of the Court of Inquest seeking to clear up the explosion at Baldwin, L. I., on Thursday, which caused the death of a woman and her child was held here today. District Attorney Elvin N. Edwards conducted the inquest before Justice of the Peace Southard.

The explosion, which Mr. Edwards attributed to leaky gas, blew down ten one-story houses and caused a fire which destroyed two other structures. Several persons were injured, the most serious of them being Salvatore Acardi, a shoemaker, whose wife and child were killed. The condition of Acardi who is a patient in the Nassau County Hospital, continued today to be critical.

Employes of the Nassau and Suffolk Gas Company testified today that no report of a leak in the gas mains serving Pipe Line Boulevard and Grand Avenue, the scene of the blast, had been received. They also denied the likelihood of a leak. The inquest was adjourned until Wednesday at 10 A. M. The new Nassau County Grand Jury has been called to assemble on Thursday and, on the finding of the present inquiry, will rest whether the body will be asked to investigate.

HELD AS ARSON SUSPECT.

John Schroeder, a Laborer, to Be Examined for Sanity.

John Schroeder, a roving laborer about 40 years old, was held without bail in West Side Court yesterday on suspicion of arson, pending an inquiry into his sanity. He was arrested early yesterday morning by Patrolman Walter Darrow of the West 100th Street Station, who said he had seen the man near two small incendiary blazes, first at 138 West 109th Street, then at 173 West Ninety-fifth Street.

The first fire was discovered among some baby carriages in the back hall of an apartment house, and the second in a pile of paper, wooden boxes and other débris awaiting removal from a similar hallway.

Schroeder was questioned first by Assistant Fire Marshal Copeland, and later by Marshal Brophy. He insisted he had nothing to do with the fires, and indeed only remembered one, having spent the earlier hours of the night in a speak-easy. He said he remembered being called by some one to help put one fire out, and then being arrested.

The suspect is also known to the police as John Engels. His last temporary address was the Union Hotel, 143 Hester Street. His examination has been set for Monday.

TWO MEN ARE SHOT IN SHOP

Jamaica Builders Accuse Disgruntled Employe of Attack.

Tony Alisio, 39 years old, of 120-18 Lincoln Avenue, Ozone Park, and Frank de Rossa, 45, of 16 Thraner Avenue, Jamaica, owners of a builders' business at 16 Thraner Avenue, were found with bullet wounds last night in their shop, and the police were asked to arrest John Onefrie of 107-37 Union Hall Street, Jamaica, a laborer employed by them.

Alisio, who was wounded in the abdomen, was taken to Jamaica Hospital. De Rossa was treated for wounds in the right hip and left arm and was taken home. They told the police Onefrie objected to the wages paid to him and shot them when they refused to give him more.

THE SCREEN

By MORDAUNT HALL.

Society of a Sort.

BUTTERFLIES IN THE RAIN, with James Kirkwood, Laura La Plante, Dorothy Cummings, Robert Ober, Oscar Beregi, Dorothy Stokes, Edwards Davis, James Anderson, Clarence Thompson, Rose Burdick, Robert V. Bolder, Ruby Lafayette, George Perliot and Grace Gordon, directed by Edward Sloman. At the Hippodrome.

"Butterflies in the Rain," the current film offering at the Hippodrome, is artificial but moderately entertaining. It is the type of picture that does not inflict itself unduly on one's attention, and yet there are in it a number of interesting scenes. Its atmosphere is rather that of Hollywood than England and Spain, two of the countries that furnish a background for this adventure.

Laura La Plante portrays the rôle of a girl named Tina, who is an admirer of a group she believes to be real Bohemians. James Kirkwood acts the part of a genuine American, a man something like Mr. Pike in "The Man From Home." The narrative is vaguely reminiscent of Booth Tarkington's story, "His Own People."

When the dénouement of this yarn is thrown on the screen one is astonished that the characters were not aware of the happening. It is a case where a young villain steals into the heroine's apartment and, after the smashing of vases and a fight, acquaintances of the girl and the man come to the rescue. Why Tina, as the heroine is known, should be blamed is not quite clear. The author of this shallow screen effort, however, arranges for some of the characters to believe all that's wrong about Tina. One would conclude that Tina, who is then married to John Humphreys (Mr. Kirkwood) would tell her husband what happened and be highly indignant if he doubted her.

The evil genius of this story is a woman who wears a monocle. She's quite a snob, but she wilts in the end when it is discovered that she spent a year or so of her young life behind the bars. Then there is a Lord Purdon, whose ancestors came over in the Roman galleys to Briton. He is a good chap. He has plenty of money, sticks to his friends and believes in the adage, "Handsome is that handsome does."

Some of the ideas in this story would have benefited by a little study and less haste. There are too many stereotyped actions and by no means enough suspense. Mr. Kirkwood does exceedingly well under the circumstances with his part. Miss La Plante's efforts are not without interest. She is comely, but the rôle of Tina is hardly suited to her type.

Talking-Movie Plant for Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—A $450,000 talking-movie plant will be built on the southwest side of Chicago, it was announced today. Twenty years ago Chicago had a miniature Hollywood, as studios of the Essenay, Selig and American companies were here, but California took them away. The United States Talking Film Company plans a new type of talking films, but details have not been disclosed.

City Scow Afire in North River.

River traffic was menaced for a short time early yesterday afternoon when a D.S.C. scow, the Sarah, caught fire at her West Fifty-second Street dock and floated into the North River. The fireboat Duane put out the flames and moored the slightly damaged craft to a dock at Fifty-fifth Street. The pier had meanwhile caught fire and was badly charred and weakened. Two alarms were sent in, and policemen were called to keep back the curious.

FILM NOVELTY HERE SOON.

"Natural Vision" Picture to Have Premiere Within Two Months.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The movie world will see its premiere of the "Natural Vision" picture in the latter part of February, it was announced today by George K. Spoor, owner of Essanay Films, who with P. John Bergren is co-inventor.

The invention, in pursuit of which Essanay Studio retired from film production, has required ten years' laboratory experiment and cost $3,000,000, Spoor said.

The invention shows pictures just as the audience would see actual scenes through a large hole in the side of a house. The proportion is all there, there is nothing tiring to the eyes, and the spectator can look as far "beyond" as his eye permits.

Essanay Films will begin photographing "The American," its first picture, next Monday at Hollywood. J. Stuart Blackton is director and Charles Ray has the lead.

HELD AS MURDER SUSPECT.

Meriden (Conn.) Restaurant Man Was With Friend Later Found Shot.

Special to The New York Times.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 24.—Fred Etzel, counterman in the Wright Restaurant in Meridien, Conn., today was held by Coronor Eli Mix as a suspect in the killing of John Mastriano of that city in Mount Carmel on Sunday night.

The testimony at the Coroner's hearing was that he spent Sunday evening at the Matis Hotel in Meriden; that they left there together; that they alighted from a trolley car together at Dudley's Switch, Mount Carmel, two hours later. Mastriano's body was found 200 yards from the switch.

Investigation my Medical Examiner George Joslin of Mount Carmel showed that Mastriano had been shot in the face at close range. Mastriano had $150, which had disappeared.

MAYOR DEVER TO RUN AGAIN.

Brennan Placates Chicago Ward Leaders to Insure Their Support.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—William E. Dever has decided he will be a candidate to succeed himself as Mayor of Chicago, according to his friends.

This became known today following two days of strenuous work by George E. Brennan, Democratic National Committeeman, in ironing out differences with various Democratic ward committeemen, who have had small grievances against the administration, but are now said to have promised to support Mr. Dever.

An official announcement of Mayor Dever's candidacy is expected Monday and will result in the elimination of several hopefuls who had expected to be candidates for the nomination at the primaries in February provided Mr. Dever should step aside.

GOULD ESTATE TO GET $20,000,000 REPAID

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mainder men of the six separate trusts and to Frank Jay Gould and the Duchesse de Talleyrand, the only two life beneficiaries who were not trustees, sums aggregating approximately $20,000,000.

"The proposed compromise is also subject to the approval of the Court of Chancery of the State of New Jersey having jurisdiction over the executors of the estate of George J. Gould, and application is being made today to that court to secure such approval.

Family Harmony Sought.

"The desire of the accounting trustees to observe the principles enunciated in the opinion of Judge O'Gorman and the disposition of all the members of the Gould family to establish harmonious relations among themselves have been influential factors in bringing all parties to an agreement upon the proposed settlement."

"Remaindermen," the word used in the third paragraph of the lawyers' statement, is a legal term meaning the ultimate beneficiaries of a trust fund. The life beneficiary of a trust fund receives the income until his death, whereupon the principal goes to the remainderman or remaindermen. In this case the remaindermen are the grandchildren.

The trustees of Jay Gould's estate were four of his children—Edwin Gould, Helen Shepard Gould, Howard Gould and the late George J. Gould, the executors of whose estate assumed his trusteeship duties. Frank J. Gould and the Duchesse de Talleyrand are also children of Jay Gould, whose will established trusts for all his children.

At the time when Referee O'Gorman held the trustees to be responsible for shrinkage in the Jay Gould estate it was estimated that the trustees were liable to a surcharge of $50,000,000 which they would have to refund to principal and interest accounts of the trust funds for the other beneficiaries of their father's estate. It was said yesterday that this amount was questioned by the trustees, and that the $20,000,000 settlement was worked out as a compromise.

Payments to Trust Funds.

The terms of the settlement provide for the following immediate payments by the trustees of Jay Gould's estate:

Two million dollars to the trustees of the trust for Edwin Gould and remaindermen to the credit of the principal of said trust, together with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum upon said sum of $2,000,000 from June 1, 1926, to the date of entry of judgment herein to the credit of the income of said trust.

Two million dollars to the trustees of the trust for Howard Gould and remaindermen to the credit of the principal of said trust, together with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum upon said sum of $2,750,000 from June 1, 1926, to the date of entry of judgment herein.

Two million seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the trustees of the trust for Frank Jay Gould and remaindermen to the credit of the income of said trust, together with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum upon said sum of $2,750,000 from June 1, 1926, to the date of entry of judgment herein.

It is stipulated also that Edwin Gould, Helen Gould Shepard and Howard Gould shall pay the Equitable Trust Company $300,000 to be held in three separate trusts of $100,000 each for the three children of George J. Gould's second marriage. The same three trustees agree to pay $50,000 to the seven children of George J. Gould's first marriage, for equal division.

From George Gould's Estate.

The stipulation contains an agreement by the executors of George J. Gould's estate to make the following payments to the trustees of residuary trusts created by Jay Gould's will:

Sixty thousand dollars to the trustees of the trust for George J. Gould and remaindermen to the credit of the principal of said trust, together with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum upon said sum of $60,000 from Nov. 1, 1926, to the date of entry of judgment herein to the credit of the income of said trust.

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MAY ERECT PLANTS TO MAKE NEW FUEL

G. E. Learnard to Announce Plans of International Combustion Corporation.

IMPORTANT IN BRITAIN

New Process of Distilling Coal at Low Temperature Would Mean Great Saving to Industry.

George E. Learnard, President of the International Combustion Engineering Corporation, said yesterday that he may soon announce the intentions of his concern, through its affiliations in England, to establish plants in England for the production of gas, tar, oil and motor spirit through the distillation of coal at low temperatures. He refused to discuss a report that the election of Sir Harry McGowan to the directorate of the corporation had special significance.

Announcement of the discovery of two processes for the distillation of coal at low temperatures was made last August. At the time the advantages to industry were elaborated upon, and it was emphasized that Great Britain, which has to import all its oil, would be materially benefited if the new process was widely used there.

In October Sir Harry McGowan became the President and Deputy Chairman of the $500,000,000 British chemical and explosive combination in which were amalgamated Brunner, Mond & Co., Ltd., Nobel Industries, Ltd., British Dyestuffs Corporation, Ltd., and United Alkali Company, Ltd. The combination is called the Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd.

An officer of the American corporation is authority for the statement that there is no immediate prospect of the development in this country of a coal distillation plant such as has been proposed for England, but there may be developments shortly in France, where the International also has affiliations. England is considered the best field for development, as she pays about $300,000,000 a year for oil.

The American corporation has reported constantly growing business. Its stock, which has sold this year as high as 64½, was heavily dealt in yesterday on the Stock Exchange, as a result of the report of new activities, and closed at 50⅞, a gain of 4⅞ points. A new issue is imminent, rights to subscribe having expired on Wednesday. At that time a committee to handle the foreign business of the concern, consisting of Sir Harry McGowan, G. R. Taylor and Mr. Learnard, was formed.

SAVED FROM POTTER'S FIELD

Staten Island Man, Slain by Son, Is Buried by Priest.

Nunzio Arzidiacino of 64 Lincoln Avenue, Grant City, S. I., the barber who was shot and killed by his son Joseph on Wednesday night, was saved from a pauper's grave yesterday when the Staten Island Catholic Charity Association took charge of the body and had it buried in St. Peter's Cemetery.

The Rev. John B. Snyder, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church, Port Richmond, learned that Mrs. Arzidiacino, who was left with eleven children, was without funds to pay for the funeral of her husband. The priest arranged with the association to pay for the burial and the services were conducted by the Rev. John Marinelli, pastor of St. Michael's Church at Mariners Harbor. None of the family was present at the funeral.

Joseph, who has confessed to the shooting, will have a hearing on Thursday.

ACCUSES A WEALTHY MAN.

Labor Official Names Edward Baker in Divorce Suit.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Edward Baker of St. Charles, Ill., millionaire and uncle of Dolores Angell, heiress to the $38,000,000 Gates estate, was named today in divorce proceedings testimony by Joseph Krefet, a business agent for a labor union.

In the hearing of Mrs. Vera Krefet's suit for a divorce on grounds of cruelty, Krefet, on the witness stand, charged that Baker was "the cause of all the trouble." Baker, said Krefet, gave to his wife a number of expensive presents.

Sweden's "Brannvin" Christmas Cheer.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 24 (AP).—Christmas cheer in Sweden includes extra allowances of "Brannvin"—Swedish brandy. The Governmental liquor monopoly is allowing its customers to buy an extra litre each during the holidays. This privilege is limited, however, to those whose regular allowance is less than the mixmum of four litres a month.

THEATRICAL NOTES.

Otis Skinner will be seen at the Booth Theatre tonight in a revival of "The Honor of the Family." In addition there will be a revival of "Night Hawk" at the Frolic Theatre.

"New York Exchange," which was to have opened at the Klaw Theatre tonight, will open on Monday instead.

"In Abraham's Bosom," announced for the Provincetown next Tuesday, has been postponed to Thursday.

"Honor Be Damned," a new play by Willard Mack, will go into rehearsal next week, with Mr. Mack as its star. It will be presented by a new organization, the Metropolitan Producing Company.

Frances White will begin a tour of the Loew theatres on Feb. 14, opening in New York. The following week Vesta Victoria, the English comedienne, will begin a Loew tour in White Plains.

John Nicholson has been added to the cast of "The Padre," opening at the Ritz next Monday.

Claudette Colbert will have the leading feminine role in "The Barker," which comes to New York about Jan. 10.

Instead of presenting "The Golem," as previously announced, the Moscow Theatre Habima next week will play "The Dybbuk."

An Actors' Fund headquarters will soon be established at Miami under the direction of Rita Kissin, who has been executive director of the campaign now under way in New York.

SCREEN NOTES.

Mrs. William Randolph Hearst will give her annual Christmas party for crippled children today at the Paramount Theatre. The performance will begin at 10 A. M. The program includes "We're in the Navy Now," Jesse Crawford, organist; an "Inkwell" comedy and Vincent Lopez's Orchestra.

The Herald Tribune Sunshine Club will hold its Christmas party at the Paramount Theatre on Monday morning at 9:30. The feature film will be "Peter Pan." Jesse Crawford, organist, also will contribute to the program.

AUCTION SALES

SMITH'S KNICKERBOCKER SALESROOMS, INC. 825 Seventh Av., at 53rd St. G. E. Smith, Auctioneer. WISHES HIS CUSTOMERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS

'TIEFLAND' GIVEN IN ENGLISH

Chicago Civic Opera Company Makes a Hit.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Chicago Civic Opera Company has added to its répertoire of operas in English Eugene D'Albert's "Tiefland." The work, immensely popular in Europe, had its American première last night.

The translation was made especially for the Civic Opera Company by Henry G. Weber, conductor, and Charles Moor, stage director.

The production was described as the most successful experiment the company has tried with a translation since "Hänsel und Gretel."

"Lace Petticoat" Here on Jan. 3.

"Lace Petticoat," an operetta which Carle Carlton is producing, will open at the Forrest Theatre on Monday night, Jan. 3. The cast will include Tom Burke, Vivian Hart, Stella Mayhew, Luis Alberni, and Adelaide and Hughes.

STETSON BONUS OF $504,000

Distributed With Other Gifts Among 5,000 Hat-Making Employes.

Special to The New York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—A cash bonus of $504,000 was distributed here today by the John B. Stetson Company as a Christmas present to the hat-making concern's 5,000 employes. There were also gifts of five life insurance policies of $5,000 each, 400 shares of common stock in the company, 433 hats, a quantity of jewelry and nearly 3,000 turkeys. The extra gifts were awards for proficiency in various departments, but not a single employe of the company was overlooked.

The awards were made at a mass meeting of employes addressed by James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, and J. Howell Cummings, President of the company. Mr. Cummings revealed plans for new South American trade and predicted that there would be sufficient business next year "to keep all hands employed."

WINTER GARDEN Evs. 8:25. Mats. Today, Tues., Thurs. THE NEW 1927 The Very Last Word in Revues
GAY PAREE
Absolutely New in Every Detail!
Winter Garden—Tomorrow Night Concert
ALWAYS THE BEST SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT IN TOWN
Stars and Numbers From Broadway's Current Revue and Musical Comedy Hits and Other Headline Acts.
SMOKING PERMITTED IN ALL PARTS OF HOUSE. BUY SEATS EARLY AND AVOID BEING ONE OF THE STANDEES.

44th ST. Thea. TOM'W NIGHT BIG HOLIDAY CONCERT
SAME GREAT LIST OF HEADLINERS WILL APPEAR AT THIS CONCERT AS AT THE WINTER GARDEN.
SHUBERT Thea., 44th, W. of B'y. Evs 8:25. Mats. Today and Wed., 2:30. THE REIGNING MUSICAL HIT
COUNTESS MARITZA

44th ST Thea., W. of B'way. Evs. 8:30. Mats. Today, Wed. & Fri. SENSATIONAL MUSICAL SUCCESS
KATJA

"BROADWAY"
BROADHURST, W. 44 St. Mats. Today Matinees Daily Next Week (Except Monday)
SHUBERT-RIVIERA 97th St. & B'way. OPENING TONIGHT and continuing through next week.
FAY BAINTER in "First Love" with BRUCE McRAE
SUNDAY CONCERTS, 2 to 5:30 & 7 to 11.

BOOTH WEST 45 ST. TONIGHT at 8:30
The Charles Frohman Co. presents for a Limited Engagement
OTIS SKINNER in "The Honor of the Family"

Cosmopolitan Thea. Col. Cir. Evs. 8:30. Mats. Today, Wed. & Fri.
SOREL and Her COMEDIE FRANCAISE COMPANY
Matinee Today, "LE MISANTHROPE" TONIGHT "MAITRESSE DE ROI"

MOROSCO Thea., W. 45 St. Evs. 8:20. Mats. Today & Wed., 2:30. ANNE NICHOLS presents
HOWDY KING! With MINOR WATSON

"SEED OF THE BRUTE" with ROBERT AMES
FORREST Th., 49th St., W. of B'way. Evs. 8:30. Mats. Today & Wed., 2:30.

SIXTH CAPACITY MONTH!
"AMERICANA"
BELMONT Thea., 48th, E. of B'y. Evs. 8:30. Matinees Today & Thurs., 2:30.

18th Performance—LAST 2 WEEKS
LOOSE ANKLES
GARRICK 65 W. 35th St. Evs. 8:40. Mats. Today & Thurs., 2:40.

THE DYBBUK Every Eve. (Exc. Mon.) Thro' Dec. 29 & Jan. 6, Thro' Jan. 12
Neighborhood Playhouse 466 Grand St. Drydock 7516.
"The Little Clay Cart" Dec. 30 thro' Jan. 5

KLAW W. 45th MON. EVE., 8:30 OPENS
New York Exchange
A New Play by Peter Glenny with Alison Skipworth and Sydney Shields | Cast of 60

RITZ THEATRE, W. 48th St. Evs. 8:30. Matinee Today, 2:30.
The Most Exciting Business Is THIS WOMAN BUSINESS
With O. P. HEGGIE—GENEVIEVE TOBIN EDWARD RIGBY
MOVES NEXT MON. TO WALLACK'S Thea. W. 42 St.

RITZ Thea., 48th, W. of B'way. Opening NEXT MON. A NEW COMEDY
THE PADRE With LEO CARRILLO
Direction WILLIAM A. BRADY.

NATIONAL Th., 41 St., W. of B'y. Evs. 8:30. Mats. TODAY & WED., 2:30. GEORGE M. COHAN presents
The Thrilling Hit Yellow! Seats Now for All Holiday Performances

TOTTEN Thea., W. 48th. Tel. Chick. 1942
TONY SARG'S MARIONETTES in "ALI BABA and THE FORTY THIEVES"
TODAY 11 A. M. & 3 P. M. Mon. at 8.

48TH ST. East of Broadway. Evenings 8:30. THEA Matinees Today & Wed., 2:30.
PASSIONATE DRAMA OF THE SEXES
THE SQUALL
With BLANCHE YURKA
Seats at Box Office 8 Weeks Ahead. Extra Mats Dec. 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, Jan. 1

Ambassador Thea., 49th, W. of B'y. Evs. 8:30. Mats. Today & Wed., 2:30.
THE ACE OF MUSICAL COMEDIES
QUEEN HIGH
With CHARLES RUGGLES, FRANK McINTIRE, LUELLA GEAR & 40 Others.

Casino Thea. 39 St. & B'way. Evs. 8:25. Mats. Today & Wed., 2:30.
SCHWAB and MANDEL'S Thrilling Musical Play
THE DESERT SONG
VIVIENNE SEGAL ROBERT HALLIDAY EDDIE BUZZELL PEARL REGAY
"A SMASHING HIT."—N. Y. SUN

2 GIRLS WANTED
Evs. 8:30. Matinees Today & Wed. LITTLE THEATRE, West 44 St. Holiday Mats. Dec. 28, 29, 30, 31, Jan. 1.

EUGENE O'NEILL'S
BEYOND THE HORIZON
BIJOU Th., W. 45th St. MATINEE TODAY
Mats. daily (Exc. Mon.) Next Week. Souvenirs.

49TH ST. Thea., W. of B'way. Evs. 8:30. Matinees Today & Wed., 2:30.
WM. HODGE in his great laugh hit The JUDGE'S HUSBAND

The MOTION PICTURE TWICE DAILY 2:30 and 8:30
WHAT PRICE GLORY SAM H. HARRIS
SUN. MAT. at 3. All Seats Reserved
MATS. (Exc. Sat.) 50c to $1.00
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EXPOSURE WITHOUT PUNISHMENT

Senator BORAH, who was until recently hot for a Congressional investigation of the Alien Property Custodian's office, now thinks it would be useless. He still believes that corruption was rife and that a certain amount of crime was probably committed, but the statute of limitations would after this lapse of years prevent successful prosecution. Moreover, the Senate has received the long report of the McCarl inquiry, which admits great waste and confusion and the improper awarding of exorbitant fees for legal services, but denies anything criminal. Although Senator BORAH intimates that he has evidence of corruption not touched upon in this report, he gives it to be understood that he is not interested in exposing anybody unless he can also punish him. From Mr. BORAH'S point of view the public would gain very little merely from finding out "how corrupt some officials have been."

This is an intelligible attitude, particularly on the part of one who began his career as a Public Prosecutor. Yet something after all is to be said for the exposure of malfeasance in office, even if no legal penalty can be made to fall upon the guilty persons. There are moral punishments which are sometimes harder to be borne than those which are merely statutory. We have seen in recent trials of public men suspected of corruption that, though the prosecution was not able to win a verdict from the jury, the facts were so laid before discerning readers of the press that the condemnation which they almost unanimously pronounced was in effect the severest kind of punishment. If Senator BORAH were certain of being able to hold up other recreant officials to public obloquy in this manner, it might be his duty to proceed with the investigation which he has been threatening.

Meanwhile a more important duty rests upon him in regard to the people for the return of alien property. A compromise measure, it has passed the House and is yet to be acted upon in the Senate. Senator BORAH violently opposed it at first for not going far enough, but now he announces that with one or two trifling amendments he will support it. This would be a gratifying indication that at least sometimes he is willing to take what he can get in politics and not to go on demanding the impossible.

PAT HARRISON AS SANTA CLAUS.

Some old fogies lament the extinction of the Christmas pantomime. They should cheer up. PAT HARRISON is going to make his Christmas entertainment "an annual feature" of the Senate. Who will regret Pantaloon or pine for sausages? Hear PAT "entering the Christmas Yuletide," as he laconically calls it. Joy should fill the hearts of men. PAT proceeded to contribute it. "Millions of little souls are happy," hanging up their little stockings. How about their fathers and mothers? Everywhere "we see drawn "faces, drooped countenances, heavy "hearts and downcast spirits." Whether this is original or an extract from that renowned work of fiction, "Facts for Democrats," it is good Harrisonian. Billions of dollars have been given to foreign countries at the expense of the taxpayers, but there is to be no remission of taxes, according to Mr. GARNER'S plan; and so "not only "does the present look dark, but the "future looks gloomy."

Who are the caitiffs that are betraying "the Christmas Yuletide" and their country and making all things and all persons as atrabilious as a Democratic textbook? The fifteen Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee who are so insensate as to regard the reduction of interest charges on the debt as the reduction of taxes. PAT recites their unhallowed names and tries, however hopelessly, to touch their better natures:

> I appeal to you Senators over there, at this Yuletide, when all of us should be in high spirits and filled with joy to overflowing, that you bring your influence, that you exert the power of your station, upon the other branch of the Congress so that we can frame legislation that will send "glad tidings of good news" [sic] throughout the land and make this Christmas time one of happiness to all.

PAT is better than ten pantomimes. One hopes that those irreverent youngsters, the pages, appreciated this Christmas offering. Disheartened readers of the Congressional Record should stiffen their resolution and persevere. If it is hard digging, once in a great while the laborer finds a gem, even a Gulfport pearl.

"PLEDGE OF A BETTER AGE."

In his exquisite but tragic story, "The Last Christmas Tree," JAMES LANE ALLEN pictured the gradual "snowing under" of the whole earth till nothing was left but a lone fir tree, the emblem of immortality, in whose evergreen top men had set their star of hope and from whose evergreen branches children plucked their gifts. It is one of the saddest of stories, since even this tree followed all living things into their white sleep under the reign of the snowflakes. The shepherds, all in white, lay down with their flocks in white pastures. But the really hopeful and cheering moral of the story is that the last thing to perish on the earth is that for which the evergreen tree at this season stands throughout Christendom in the home and in the midst of the city as the tree of the Apocalypse, whose leaves were for the healing of the nations, glory to GOD and good-will among men.

The scientist, in his discovery of the structure of the atom and of the potential fuel laid away by the Creator in myriad infinitesimal storehouses, has postponed indefinitely this tragedy of the eternal cold by prolonging the warmth which keeps the pine tree as "a wild candle poised on a mountain table." Not long ago, a descendant of HUXLEY, speaking of the prolongation of human life, turned to the tree as did the Psalmist for the illustration of his hope. He said that a tree, if sheltered from storms, protected from its natural enemies and reasonably nourished, must be supposed to go on living forever. That is the spiritual symbolism of the Christmas tree. That is the gospel of Christmas—the rebirth, the renewal of the Christmas spirit in which we have not only hope of a permanent peace on earth but also of immortality, and without which there could be little or no mortal desire for immortality.

It is at this season by a happy fortuity that the modern magi, the scientists—astronomers, chemists, biologists, physicists, philosophers, historians, economists and sociologists—meet in our continent to compare their observations as to the new things that they have found from their peering into the mysteries that still surround human life in its earthly environment: the mystery of a physical evolution that, according to the report of a scientist last week, still moves toward some indeterminate goal; the mystery of a spiritual urge that will not let man rest satisfied with what was or is, however piously he may respect the sanctions of the past or be tempted to inertness by the comforts of the present. It is at this season also that the world bends over the place where the young child is, and so has promise of reaching that ideal state which men may enter only by becoming as children.

The mystery of the beginning and the mystery of the end, of origin and of destiny, encircle all men as one. The message of this season to nations as well as to individuals is that goodwill among those of this common fate of birth and destiny is the only hope of permanent peace and general happiness. This morning that feeling of good-will for the moment encircles the earth and faces the surrounding mysteries with a new hope. It is as if a celestial melody were sung around the globe, hearing which even the wheels, like the legendary Ixion's wheel, forget to turn and man makes new resolve out of his longing, which is after all the supreme and most promising mystery—the mystery of the mind's own upward desire, the mystery of the finite insatiably and inexplicably aspiring to know the infinite. Hearing such Christmas song, the fancy of MILTON saw Time "run back and fetch the age of gold." But through the continuing mystery we see this Christmas morn in this widening circle of man's conscious common interest, the pledge of a better age (auspicium melioris ævi) than mankind as a whole has ever known.

"THREE SHIPS COME SAILING IN."

Again the old Chrismas carol may be sung of the Neediest Cases Fund:

> I saw three ships come sailing in
> On Christmas Day in the morning;

for again it is as if three ships, each carrying a whole year's relief for at least a hundred of the neediest, had come into the port this morning. On Christmas morning last year the total contributions amounted to $234,388.84. This year it is $251,571.81. But many gifts came in during and following Christmas Day last year, so that the Fund finally amounted to $260,998.26. There is, therefore, still a welcome for gifts to carry this year's Fund level to last year's mark.

It is gratifying beyond words that the very rich and the poor, even the very poor, alike have united to make this collective gift to the neediest who, though they will never be able to thank those who have shown themselves neighbors to them in their distress, will gratefully sing for joy in their homes

> On Christmas Day in the morning.

THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

The passing of YOSHIHITO, Emperor of Japan, bids fair to mark the end of an era in the history of Japan. That it will have much influence on the politics of that country is unlikely. The imperial dynasty is so highly cherished that there is no question about succession. Furthermore, the late Emperor had taken no active part in the affairs of his people owing to his illness during the last few years. The determination of policies remains, as before, in the hands of those persons within and without Parliament who have directed the Government since its reorganization. This group will continue to advise the Emperor's successor, HIROHITO, who since 1921 has been acting Regent of Japan.

The principal change, therefore, is in custom. YOSHIHITO only slightly modified the traditions of his predecessors that the Emperor was a being not only above but apart from his subjects. Although he was not regarded as the Son of Heaven, as was the Emperor of China and the Emperor of Korea, the worship for the imperial household was centred in his person. He represented to the people the incarnation of the spirit of the nation. Loyalty and patriotism, two of the qualities in which the Japanese shine, were manifested in devotion to the Emperor. He was considered above the ordinary run of mortals and but rarely was permitted to be seen by them.

His son and heir has been trained more in the manner of Western royalty. Although he has never been used, as has the Prince OF WALES, to popularize the monarchy by proving its democracy, he yet has been about his own country and has mixed freely with the people of all nations. He will inherit, with the throne, the devout loyalty that was the privilege of his predecessors, but it is unlikely that he will ever be so remote from his people as they were. In due time he may introduce further Western reforms in the relations between the Crown and the rest of the Government. He may strive to create a system that more nearly approaches the constitutional monarchy of England than does that which exists today. These changes, however, are too remote to be of immediate importance. For the years to come he will undoubtedly continue to be guided by the sage counsel of the successors of those "Elder Statesmen" who gave to the Government of Japan the benefit of their ripe wisdom.

"STABILIZING" THE FRANC.

Yesterday's dispatches, to the effect that the Poincaré Government had decided to stabilize the franc around the value of 4 cents, did not apparently refer to any distinct declaration of purpose regarding the ultimate value at which gold payments would be resumed in France. What the Government has done, with the assistance of the Bank of France, has been to check the upward movement in francs which threatened to get wholly out of hand.

The appreciation of the franc was a plain and legitimate result of the greatly improved financial situation in France; it resulted in such rapid repatriation of French capital, which had fled the country during the crisis of midsummer, that the mere purchase of franc exchange for remittance from other countries to the home market superseded all other influences. But, legitimate or not, it had become evident that a heavy strain was being imposed on French industry by so exceedingly rapid enhancement of the currency's value.

The franc had increased in gold value 20 per cent. since the beginning of November; it had more than doubled since midsummer, and prices were bound to adjust themselves to this sudden change. The quite inevitable consequence was a "deflation movement" which had the effect, usual on such occasions, of causing suspension of nearly all purchases by dealers, until they should be assured that the rise in the franc and the accompanying fall in prices had reached an end. The same phenomenon will be recalled as one of the outstanding incidents of the "deflation crisis" in the United States during 1920, although that was caused through influences operating directly upon the markets and not by revaluation of the currency.

POINCARE had been urged to announce the rate at which permanent revaluation and resumption of gold payments would be effected. This he has, however, steadily refused to do, taking an opportunist view of the possibilities that the currency might be further legitimately enhanced in value, to the advantage of all previous investors in French securities. But the rapidity of the franc's upward movement has forced the Government's hand to the extent that it is now employing all the resources of the Treasury and the bank to restrain the movement, and to hold the franc's valuation in the market steady during a period long enough to permit the adjustment of business plans to the new position.

Whether ultimately the revaluation price will be in the neighborhood of the present 4-cent level for the franc, whether it will be still higher, or whether, as some European bankers have believed, it will even be below that figure, it is still impossible to be sure. The point of greatest interest is that the French Government appears now to have the situation firmly in hand, and that its financial position is on all accounts exceptionally strong.

THE PULSE OF THE TERMINALS.

Holiday crowds in the railway stations are a neglected branch of social statistics. The drift of population from the farm to the city is a commonplace. The drift of sentiment from the city to the open country elicits comment only during the periodic holiday rushes. Town and country, according to the economists and sociologists, regard each other with distrust and hostility. But on Labor Day the New York Central puts on hundreds of extra trains. Interior America is in the habit of describing New York as a foreign city. But for the Christmas holidays the Pennsylvania operates extra sections. Plainly there must be millions of urban Americans who look upon the countryside as something else than the abiding place of stagnation and boredom. There must be hundreds of thousands of rural and small-town Americans who find in the city something else than a market place for alien ideas and alien tastes. Otherwise the railway terminals would not be jammed with two-way traffic.

By the testimony of the congested baggage rooms the proportion of city people with a fondness for the country would be steadily increasing. Not so many years ago the holiday rush in the railway stations was confined to the Fourth of July and Labor Day. It was vacation travel. Labor Day is still the high tide of holiday travel, but there are minor peaks. There is an Easter rush and a Christmas rush. There is an exodus on any legal holiday which happily falls into the week-end. Hundreds of thousands of urbanites pay tribute to the memory of LINCOLN, WASHINGTON and CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS by going out of town. The week-end habit has undergone an enormous development. The reasons may be many. There would be the educational effects of the automobile. There would be the long period of prosperity. There would be the very fact of the drift from the farm to town, resulting in a large urban element whose memory of the country-side is still fresh, on whom the pull to green fields is strong.

Whatever the reasons, there is the fact. The gulf between town and country is not really so wide as is commonly asserted. The Hudson River does not run quite so deep between Manhattan and the United States as is usually stated. Perhaps Christmas is the holiday best qualified to draw notice to a very substantial entente cordiale. At Christmas it turns out that there are scores of thousands of New Yorkers to whom some place in interior America is "home," and there are thousands of continental Americans to whom New York City is "home." Hence the extra trains and sections, and the crush in the baggage rooms, and the voice of strong men lamenting for lower berths that are not.

INTERVENTION IN NICARAGUA.

President ADOLFO DIAZ, President of Nicaragua, whose Government has been recognized by the United States, has again made an appeal for intervention. "We cannot believe," he says, "that the American Government and people can be indifferent "to our welfare and stand by while "the Calles Government continues to "send arms and men to the revolution, thereby creating the same conditions here that exist in Mexico." This is the language of a hard-pressed leader of the Conservative Party. If it is true that arms have been sent into Nicaragua from Mexico, the United States can do no more than express its regret. Certainly it cannot make what is legitimate in international law a reason for the kind of intervention President DIAZ solicits. He reports that "soldiers, mostly Mexicans," have been landed at Puerto Cabezas. Adventurers, no doubt, but apparently not Mexican soldiers. President CALLES has protested that Mexico is not intervening in Nicaragua, and there is no evidence to the contrary. It must be just as difficult for his Government to keep Mexican filibusters out of Nicaragua as it has often been for us to prevent Americans from penetrating Mexico to aid revolutionists in a movement against its Government.

The only defensible business of United States sailors and marines in Nicaragua is to protect American citizens from violence during an insurrection. They would certainly fare hard if the policy of the United States were to let them shift for themselves when Government troops and rebels were at each other's throats. In Nicaragua the loyal soldier today is a revolutionist tomorrow. President DIAZ declares that the loss of life in the present conflict is appalling. It is probably true that casualties are heavier than usual, for the fight for control of the Government is bitter. All the more reason, therefore, why Admiral LATIMER should be alert to land marines at points of disturbance where Americans are in danger. The appeal of the Government we have recognized is so despairing that the growing strength of the Liberals under Dr. SACASA is indicated. President DIAZ says that his people are tired of fighting and "want peace, so "that they can return to their families, their homes and farms." His people, like their opponents, have the revolution habit, and until a "strong man" who is something of a statesman rises in Nicaragua the country will be convulsed periodically. There seems to be nothing for the United States to do now but to restore order with its marines in seaports and their neighborhood when the only intervention that is admissible becomes necessary.

SAVE YOUR HOLLY BERRIES!

Holly and Christmas are inseparably associated. For this reason the Christmas card sent out by the New York Botanical Garden is both appropriate and useful. It pictures holly plants, two, three and four years old, grown from seeds sown in pots in January, and urges every one to save the berries from this year's holly and plant them in whatever pots of house plants they may keep after Christmas. The seeds are slow in germinating—they take, as a rule, about six months—but are not particularly difficult to raise. When about a year old the holly seedlings should be transplanted to individual pots, and after they have served a season or two as Christmas decorations should be planted outdoors and protected from depredation at Christmas time. The holly is native to these parts and prefers a sandy soil that is somewhat sour. On Long Island and elsewhere it was often found associated with the red cedar and the oaks. It dislikes heavy winds and too much sun, but if properly protected will grow into a tree thirty to fifty feet high.

Like the laurel and the dogwood, the holly has suffered from the curse of its own loveliness. For generations a favorite for interior decoration, it has been almost eliminated along the Atlantic seaboard. Its present scarcity has served to hasten the destruction of the ground pine, now commonly used in Christmas wreaths, and is also exhausting the supply of the Winter berry. Fortunately, this same scarcity may help insure future increased supplies, for not only the New York Botanical Garden but the National Wild Flower Preservation Society and various of the garden clubs have taken up the fight in behalf of preserving the Christmas wreaths and have encouraged the practice of using living Christmas trees.

It is sometimes assumed that to grow plants from seed in a town house requires exceptional skill. Although inexperienced hands may bring forth only a few out of many planted, a little attention as to water and light and proper soil, and as to temperature, usually suffices to bring the indoor nurseryman through the first years of experience. Furthermore, with instructions as to the propagation and care of holly so readily available, it is easy to make the experiment of saving the berries from this year's holly and trying to grow them at home. The Botanical Garden has enough reports that planting the berries in the pots of house palms or other plants is successful to hearten the timid to raise their own holly and so insure a supply for many Christmas seasons to come.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

A Derangement of Epitaphs.

A young biographer of GEORGE WASHINGTON recently had several hundred errors in his book pointed out by an old professor. The professor, however, was kind-hearted and said that such mistakes were natural in a tyro.

This gave the younger man his chance. He denied that he had made the blunders alleged, but added that, even so, "I may be a tyro, but I had rather be a tyro than a dodo."

If he had not such a contempt for everything Victorian, he might have known that a certain Dodo was the very synonym of haphazard unconventionality and brilliant recklessness quite in the modern style.

Even the bird dodo has not been extinct more than a couple of hundreds of years. This is nothing compared with the 10,000,000-year-old eggs from the Gobi Desert. Besides, in its lifetime the dodo was not so bad an example of a cautious historian. It was so heavy that it could not fly, so it always had its feet on the earth. It had a voracious appetite, swallowing small stones to aid digestion. On these stones the Dutch sailors used to sharpen their knives. It is a pity that the angry biographer of WASHINGTON could not have sharpened his wit on a big pebble out of his abhorred dodo.

New Mexico Bows to the East.

The effete and insidious influence of the Eastern seaboard continues to demoralize the manly Southwest. It was bad enough when "dude ranches" first broke the sanctity of the open spaces. The golf clubs built in Arizona and New Mexico were tolerated with amused scorn until the Easteners who had started them were crowded off the greens by the sons and daughters of the West and it became clear that the younger generation was falling under the lure of a country club civilization.

Against such newfangled ideas one representative of the old and sturdy school recently waged a valiant fight. Governor-elect DILLON of New Mexico declined to wear evening dress at his own inaugural ball. At once New Mexican society was rent in twain. There were those who upheld this decision as indicative of that proud spirit of personal independence bred on the frontier. It was, they said, the man, and not the clothes, that counted, and if the Governor elected to appear in a bathing suit, "a man's a man for a' that."

But the opposition decided that the Governor had toward his own inaugural ball somewhat the same relation that a bride has toward her wedding ceremony. The Committee on Arrangements ruled that although guests might wear such costumes as they chose, officials at the ball would wear full dress.

Committees on arrangements usually manage to have things their own way. The Associated Press yesterday announced that the Governor-elect had capitulated. In Brooklyn a former high New York official may be heard muttering under his breath something about the "interests" and his successor in office is held up to the future Governor of New Mexico as an example of the evil influence of good dressing on officialdom.

From Barbering to a Profession.

With the excellent wages now received by workers in various trades, it is not surprising that many men of the "white collar" class have either actually gone into jobs that call for skill with the hands or, if they lack manual dexterity, have expressed themselves bitterly on the comparison in earnings. Professors with small salaries have got into the habit of looking enviously at the man in a well-paid trade. To see the members of a trade casting sheep's eyes at a professorship is startling. Especially is it amazing when the intent behind the tender glances seems to be to make more money.

The Master Barbers of America, who had a purposeful convention in Baltimore not long ago, concluded after analytical discussion that barbering is a profession and not a trade. A statement was made at once that the movement for elevating the barber did not contemplate any elevation in prices for his services. This denial, before any accusation of intended profiteering was made, lacks the subtlety one expects of a master barber. It is almost a confession of a grasping nature. But its sting is removed when one considers the futility of the attempt, if attempt there be.

It was asserted in the meeting that the reason barbers have failed to attain the standing of professional men is their lack of organization. Let us organize, attend a college of chirotonsory, take State examinations, serve as assistants, and finally graduate from commercialism to professional dignity. But if the program is carried out, the unfortunate barbers will find out that organization under the name of Professors of Chirotonsory is less useful than a clever hand and a smooth tongue.

DISPROPORTIONATE TAXES.

Corporations Earning $10,000 Pay $1,530, Against Individual's $200.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

May I call attention to an error in the letter from Victor Rosewater in THE TIMES of Dec. 21? Mr. Rosewater states that corporation income is taxed 13 per cent. The fact is that the rate for 1926 under the present Revenue act is 13½ per cent. and not 13 per cent.

It is of further interest to note that in addition to this 13½ per cent. tax New York business corporations are subject to a tax imposed by this State of 4½ per cent. This makes a total of an 18 per cent. tax on corporate incomes.

In the case of corporations with comparatively small incomes this matter is serious. To illustrate, a corporation earning $10,000 would be subject to a tax in New York State of $1,530. This is arrived at as follows:

Total income	$10,000
Less exemption for corporations earning less than $25,000	2,000
Balance	$8,000
Total Federal tax, 13½ per cent.	$1,080
State franchise tax at 4½ per cent. of $10,000	450
Total Federal and State taxes	$1,530
An individual earning $10,000 would pay about	$200
Net difference in taxes	$1,330

PHILIP PAWLEY.
New York, Dec. 21, 1926.

Central Park Trees.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Before starting on a Southern cruise Park Commissioner Gallatin in an interview said he wished science would discover trees which could flourish under the hard conditions of city life. Among these he mentioned heat, soot, and fumes from automobiles. Heat never hurt trees. The Commissioner probably meant to say drought. As to soot, in the London parks, where it is much worse than here, the trees are magnificent.

In an interview, reported in THE TIMES of July 27, Mr. Gallatin said that Mr. Davey, President of the Tree Expert Company, had by his tests disposed of the Commissioner's "former misgivings that noxious gases might have been deleterious."

What Mr. Gallatin seems unable to understand is that New York trees are starving and have been starving for a long time. A distinguished foreigner was asked the other day what in his opinion was the worst thing in New York. He answered "Central Park." Why do we tamely submit to this when Brooklyn is able to have a fine park with beautiful trees? ALICE CHANLER.
New York, Dec. 21, 1926.

Books for Hospital Patients.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

A letter recently received carried the following appeal:

"Thank you so much for the books you are sending. There are 1,200 boys at Fitzsimmons, all with tuberculosis, and Jack just passes all his magazines and books on to the next fellow. There are so many boys there who are thousands of miles from home, bedridden, just longing for something to read. If folks only knew of these boys I know there must be hundreds of homes where there are books lying around, and they would be only too glad to send them to the sanitarium."

The sanitarium referred to is the Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Col. Some of THE TIMES readers can spread a little Christmas cheer in a tangible way by disposing of their surplus or discarded books.

New York, Dec. 20, 1926. P. R. CASEY.

THE THOMPSON REPORT.

It Is Regretted That the Colonel's Perspective Was Not Broader.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Colonel Carmi A. Thompson's report to the President on the Philippine question reveals marked capacity on his part to envisage conditions and to deal with them on the fundamental basis of the principles which are involved. It is to be regretted that Colonel Thompson's perspective was necessarily so short. So far as any public or general knowledge is concerned, his conclusions were built upon his three months' observations during his stay in the islands. It is not known that he had previously made a special study of the subject. It may not be considered improper to offer comment, which should not be interpreted as criticism.

His statements respecting General Wood leave something to be desired. There can be no question about General Wood's unselfish, honest and sincere endeavor at all times to administer the affairs of the islands in the interest of the Philippine people and in consonance with the high standard of American administration which has characterized our administration of the islands at all times, except during the Harrison régime. The history of General Wood's Administration deserves more than Colonel Thompson has seen fit to say.

Colonel Thompson's report seems to depart in only one instance from a discussion of principles. This is when he refers specifically and concretely to the subject of rubber. The "powers-that-be" in Washington apparently see no inconsistency or injustice in the active, and at times frantic, agitation on their part for accomplishing with respect to grain and cotton exactly the same benefits for those commodities as Great Britain has sought to attain for rubber under what is known as the Stevenson Plan. The fact that the American efforts to care for its producers are camouflaged behind sounding designations such as "orderly marketing" does not alter the stubborn facts.

Colonel Thompson is willing to concede more autonomy to the Filipinos and general control of all their affairs—except rubber, which interests our politicians, who are naïvely inviting capital to invest in rubber for the purpose of bringing down its price. The inarticulate Americans who consume the country's production of cotton and grain might reasonably inquire: Why do not our politicians advocate increased plantings of those commodities in order to bring down their cost to the American consumer? Awkward political situations seem bound to arise when public questions are examined solely in the light of principle.

Colonel Thompson says: "Philippine labor is without sufficient employment and is migrating to Hawaii, the United States and other countries." This paragraph gives a totally wrong impression of the actual conditions. Labor in the Philippines does not require to seek employment. The production of sugar, cocoanuts, hemp, tobacco, maguey and foodstuffs gives ample employment to every Filipino who desires to work. In the Island of Mindanao, where the planting of rubber is recommended, there is at present an absolute dearth of work-people. Such industry as is now being carried on there has the greatest difficulty in finding workers. The Philippine people have a wholesome fear of going to the Moro country to work, and if rubber is planted in Mindanao to any extent the labor question will be a most serious problem.

Specific disproof of the incorrectness of Colonel Thompson's indication about labor is furnished by the Philippine Government statistics of the arrivals and departures from the islands during the year 1925. While it is true that 11,241 Filipinos departed and only 6,177 arrived, it is also true that only 18,564 persons of other nationalities departed, while 23,133 arrived. Thus the total departures were 29,805 and arrivals 29,310, leaving a net loss of 495 persons in the year. Many of the young Filipinos who go to Hawaii, &c., are animated by the spirit of restlessness and romance, which latter includes the rainbow of higher wages, without sight of the cloud of higher living costs. The statistics cited would seem to be reasonable demonstration that employment in the Philippines exists for all the workers.

Colonel Thompson's report will serve one excellent purpose, namely: to assist in making the Philippine question a concrete one in the minds of the American people, rather than an abstract one as it has been. The writer believes, however, that there is one condition which transcends all others, and which should be borne in mind in considering the Philippine question. If the islands were to be given their independence, the result would be financial and economic chaos, which would cause great hardship to the people. It is sincerely to be hoped that the Filipino politicians will accept a compromise, otherwise they can attain nothing except a long era of hard times which will be unattended by any consolation except that of "independence." X. Y. Z.
New York, Dec. 24, 1926.

A Tribute to Commander Byrd.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Please permit me to add a brief word to the fine and justly deserved tribute paid Commander Richard Evelyn Byrd in THE TIMES of Dec. 12 by George Palmer Putnam.

It was the writer's privilege to be neighbor, playmate and friend of Commander Byrd in our quaint and ancient birthplace of Winchester, Va.

Those of us who know him intimately see in this now famous explorer the working out of the law of heredity. Descendant of an illustrious family, his associates from earliest boyhood found in Dick Byrd all of the traditions of greatness and gentle lineage.

Absolutely fearless, kind, considerate, ever ready to subordinate self that others might profit thereby, Dick Byrd could not be other than the modest, retiring hero who, with an equally brave companion, set forth into the icy unknown last Summer, bringing back facts for science and glory for native land.

Witness now his friendly tolerance of the unsportsmanlike attitude of his disgruntled rivals. Witness also the splendid earnestness of the scientist who is too busy to quarrel—quietly preparing for an even more hazardous expedition southward, that his fellow-man may know a bit more about this tiny terrestrial globe of ours swung high in the vast spaces of the universe.

LEWIS EDWIN RYAN.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 18, 1926.

ANOTHER VIEW OF THE DEBT

Figured on Basis of Individual's Obligation to the State.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Being one of the many millions of inarticulate—that is, a man in overalls—and knowing next to nothing about economics, as compared with the professors who have just given us their opinion on the debt problem, but studying today, as I have always done, how I am going to meet next month's bills, thus having actual instead of paper economics brought home to me, and feeling that my opinions are shared by the vast majority of working men and women, I would like to put my views before THE TIMES readers.

Taught by economists that I and every other person born in the State and living the ordinary span of life, have, before our deaths, benefited the State to the amount of $5,000 or thereabout by our labor, I realize that up to the time we reach working age we are in debt to the State.

That being the case, a study of the war casualty list shows me that a majority of the men who lost their lives were indebted to the State at the time they were killed, they having only lately reached working age.

I digress now to recall that we fought for democracy, which I take to mean for the right to go peacefully about our work in order that we may leave the State $5,000 better off in accomplished work when we die.

I now come to the question that is puzzling me—our so-called generous attitude toward the debtor nations, all, like ourselves, fighting for democracy. I find myself wondering which is the debtor, Europe or ourselves.

Placing the American dead at 60,000, and considering what they would have earned had they lived, I compare the figures with the millions of European war dead, and I find myself feeling more and more ashamed and disgusted when I hear or read of my countrymen crying, "Collect. Collect."

M. H. PRENDERGAST.
Geneva, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1926.

Church Services for Children.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

The number of children attending services in Protestant churches has increased enormously in recent years. The youngest ones have services suited to their understanding in a separate section of the church, while the older ones join their elders in the opening exercises and in listening to a "children's sermon," and then march into an adjoining room, where they have further instruction. Any one coming late to church would get an incorrect impression from the pews that the children had left.

L. B. C.
Brooklyn, Dec. 20, 1926.

JOURNEY'S END.

A Song for Christmas.

(Dedicated to My Wife.)

Know'st thou where that Kingdom lies?
Take no lanthorn in thy hand.
Search not the unfathomed skies.
Journey not o'er sea and land.
Grope no more to East or West.
Heaven is locked within thy breast.

Splendors of the sun grow dim;
Stars are darkened by that light.
Thoughts that burn like seraphim
Throng thine inner world tonight.
Set thy heel on death and find
Love new-born within thy mind.

In that Kingdom folded lie
All that eyes believe they see;
All the hues of earth and sky,
Time, space and eternity.
Seek no more in realms apart.
Heaven is folded in thy heart.

ALFRED NOYES.

THE CHRISTMAS SINGER.

"Noël, Noël!" and "Shout the tidings glad!"
Thus sang the little band that stood below.
They caroled Christmas in, beneath my window,
Glad, singing children in the falling snow.
"Noël, Noël, Noël!" the sweet, high voices rang.
"Noël, Noël, Noël?" the lofty church chimes rang.

I leaned far out to see the upturned faces;
The snowflakes made a strange and glimmering light.
"Noël, Noël!" they sang, and "Shout the tidings!"
"God rest ye merrie, gentlemen. Good-night."
They moved away and down the snow-white street;
Their voices drifted back, clear, high and sweet.
"Noël, Noël, Noël!" the faint, far voices sang.
"Noël, Noël, Noël!" the church bells chimed and rang.

I watched the little band move toward the lane,
And then I turned to look—did one remain?
"Noël, Noël!" he sang, and "Shout the tidings!"
He stood beneath the street lamp there below;
I saw him dimly through the falling snow.
"Noël, Noël, Noël!" he sang. His striped robe fluttered.
"Noël, Noël, Noël!" Was it the street lamp shed
That halo round His young and holy head?

ANNE ZUCKER.

CHRISTMAS GREENS.

I.

What says the Holly?
"Laugh and be jolly!
Chase away worry and grim melancholy,
Welcome instead even light-hearted Folly."
So says the Holly, "Laugh and be jolly!"

II.

What says the Mistletoe?
Ah, that the gallants know—
Maidens as well.
Blushing they come and go,
Meet 'neath the Mistletoe.
What happens then?—Ah, no!
Why should we tell?

III.

What say the Evergreens,
The fragrant fir and pine,
As through the bare and wintry woods
In living green they shine?

"Through frosts or Winter we survive
Be this to thee the sign:
Thou shalt survive the frosts of Death,
Unending Life is thine."

This say the Evergreens,
Whose scented sprays we twine:
"Unending Life is thine."

EMILIE POULSSON.

J. W. WADSWORTH DEAD AT AGE OF 80

Father of New York Senator Succumbs to Pneumonia in Washington.

IN CONGRESS FOR 16 YEARS

Had Served as Controller of New York State—Gallant Soldier in Civil War.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—James Wolcott Wadsworth, former member of Congress from the Geneseo District of New York, father of United States Senator James W. Wadsworth Jr. of that State and son of General James Samuel Wadsworth, who was killed at the Second Battle of the Wilderness, died of pneumonia tonight after an illness of only three days, in his eighty-first year.

Mr. Wadsworth, who since his retirement from Congress in 1907 after a service of sixteen years had been dividing his Winters between Washington and Geneseo, had planned to leave for Geneseo tomorrow with his son, Senator Wadsworth, to spend the holidays at the parents' home.

Mr. Wadsworth, despite his advanced age, was in apparently good health until he was taken ill on Tuesday night. Pneumonia developed immediately. He passed away at 5 P. M. today at his son's home, 1,737 K Street Northwest. At his bedside were Mrs. Wadsworth, their only son, Senator Wadsworth; their only daughter, Mrs. Fletcher Harper of The Plains, Va., and Senator Wadsworth's wife, formerly Alice Hay, daughter of the late John Hay, Secretary of State under McKinley and Roosevelt.

Senator Wadsworth said tonight that the family would accompany the body to Geneseo on a train that would leave Washington tomorrow afternoon or evening. Burial will be in the village cemetery, where three generations of the Wadsworth family rest.

The late Mr. Wadsworth was a brother of Lady Barrymore of Marbury Hall, Cheshire, England, widow of Arthur Post of New York and mother of Mrs. Montague Charles Eliot, the former Miss Helen Agnes Post of New York.

Familiar Figure in Geneseo.

Special to The New York Times.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Geneseo, in the heart of the Genesee Valley, tonight refused at first to credit reports, despite his 80 years, of the passing of one of its most widely known and influential citizens, Major James Wolcott Wadsworth Sr.

Former Representative in Congress, agriculturist, financier, horseman and follower of the hunt, Major Wadsworth was a familiar figure about Geneseo even almost to the end. Usually he was on horseback, whether traveling through the village or over his vast estate in Livingston and adjoining counties.

He felt the recent defeat of his son, Senator Wadsworth, most keenly. A little later his suit for $50,000 damages against the Pennsylvania Railroad for the burning of a barn, which he attributed to sparks from a locomotive, went against him after the jury had heard a bitter contest for two weeks. This defeat also deeply affected the aged man.

Major and Mrs. Wadsworth celebrated their golden wedding last September. Their children and grandchildren gathered about them at their Geneseo mansion, and messages of congratulation from President Coolidge and other notables poured in, as well as tributes from their country neighbors.

Came of a Notable Family.

James W. Wadsworth was a grandson of James Wadsworth, who with a brother, William, migrated from Durham, Conn., in 1790 to what is now Livingston County and acquired a large tract of land, formerly a part of the old Pheips and Gorham purchase in the Genesee Valley. His father was Brig. Gen. James S. Wadsworth, Republican candidate for Governor of New York in 1862, who was killed in May, 1864, while rallying his troops at the Battle of the Wilderness.

James Wolcott Wadsworth Sr. was born on Oct. 12, 1846, at Philadelphia, the son of James S. and Mary Wheaton Wadsworth. He received his education at Hopkins Grammar School, New Haven, Conn., but his preparations for entering Yale were brought to an end by news of the death of his father. Young Wadsworth left school in the Fall of 1864 and enlisted in the Union army. He served as volunteer aid on the staff of General G. K. Warren, commanding the Fifth Army Corps, Army of the Potomac, from Oct. 1, 1864, to January, 1865, and then was made captain of volunteers and aide de camp. On April 1, 1865, he was brevetted major of volunteers "for gallant and meritorious service at Five Forks." Later he was ordered to report to General Sheridan at New Orleans, but hostilities ceased and he was mustered out in June.

Once State Controller.

Upon his return to Livingston County Major Wadsworth assumed management of the extensive Wadsworth farm interests. In politics he was always a stanch Republican. His first public office was that of County Supervisor in 1875, 1876 and 1877. During 1878 and 1879 he was an Assemblyman and in 1880 and 1881 State Controller. Then he was elected to the Forty-seventh Congress, and subsequently served in the Forty-eighth, Forty-second, Forty-third, Forty-fourth, Forty-fifth, Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh, retiring in 1907. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1915. In 1898 he received the honorary degree of Master of Arts from Yale. At one time he was President of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Soldiers.

Mr. Wadsworth for many years was President of the Geneseo National Bank of Geneseo and the Genesee River National Bank of Mount Morris.

On Sept. 14, 1876, Mr. Wadsworth married Louise Travers, daughter of the late William R. Travers of New York.

TO ASK INDICTMENT OF TROOPERS IN SIEGE

Lawyer for Meaney Family Acts in Death of Woman From Bullet in All-Night Battle.

FLEMINGTON, N. J., Dec. 24 (AP).—Indictments against State troopers who last Tuesday laid an all-night siege to a farmhouse at Jutland and caused the death of Beatrice Meaney, while they were attempting to capture her two brothers, will be asked of the September term Grand Jury, George H. Large, counsel for the Meaney family, announced tonight.

Mr. Large, a former State Senator and County Judge of Hunterdon County, said an investigation also would be demanded of Governor Moore. Acting on instructions from Prosecutor Marshall F. Miller, Coroner W. F. Chiles announced he would impanel a jury next week to consider the case. An autopsy was performed on the woman's body at Somerville today by Dr. G. B. Tompkins of Flemington and Dr. A. P. Stilwell of Somerville.

Miss Meaney died of an abdominal wound received from the rifle of one of thirty troopers who were called to the scene when her brothers Timothy and James resisted arrest on charges by the S. P. C. A. that they were underfeeding cattle. James is still in Somerset Hospital suffering from a shattered kneecap, and Timothy, who was said to have held the police off with his shotgun, is free in $2,000 bail. Corporal Matthew Daly and Trooper Peter K. Smither were peppered with buckshot from Timothy's gun.

PRIEST RESCUED FROM FIRE.

Father Mitchell of Paterson Taken From Roof, Sacrament in Hand.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 24 (AP).—With the sacrament in his possession, the Rev. Father Frederick Mitchell, pastor, was rescued from the roof of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, Prospect Park, by firemen tonight after the priest had been trapped in the front of the church by flames which destroyed the entire sanctuary, the altar, organ, loft and part of the roof. The loss was estimated at $10,000. Defective wiring about the manger, which had been decorated and lighted for the first time tonight, was believed to have caused the fire.

"We are going to have midnight mass as usual," the priest declared, as he gathered about him more than 100 volunteers, men and women of his congregation. Tarpaulins were rigged over the burned roof, a temporary altar installed and the church cleaned in preparation for the mass, and the work was completed before midnight.

WAIF VISITS THE QUEEN.

Mary Receives at Palace Arthur Shackleton, Whom She Adopted.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Three-year-old Arthur Shackleton has been selected as the Queen's waif, and has been entered at the Royal Infant Orphanage at Wanstead, Essex, to be cared for until he is sixteen.

Following his selection, Arthur was received at Buckingham Palace. He is one of the youngest individuals ever to pass through the Palace gates, and it was the first time a child under the care of the Waifs and Strays Society had been within the stately rooms occupied by the royal family.

Arthur was ushered past the Palace sentries by a nurse and taken into one of the Queen's private rooms, where she had a good look at him. But he was more interested in the bright uniforms of the servants tiptoeing about than in the Queen, and seemed to take it for granted when King George chucked him under the chin.

DENIES AIDING IN LITHUANIA.

Pilsudski Says Poland Merely Kept a Close Watch Over Events.

WARSAW, Dec. 24 (AP).—Marshal Joseph Pilsudski told the newspapers today that the Polish Government took no action at all during the recent coup d'état in Lithuania beyond keeping a close watch on developments. He said events have justified his confidence that the people of Poland and Lithuania would not permit excesses.

The revolution was not exactly a surprise in Warsaw, as the Polish Government had been well aware that several Lithuanian groups were working to overthrow the Government. Whether the present Lithuanian Government proves permanent depends, according to Marshal Pilsudski, upon whether Professor Waldemaras, the new Premier, "will be able to control his 'impulsiveness.'"

ICE CAUSES THREE DEATHS.

Drivers Unable to Stop Automobiles on Slippery Pavements.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 24 (AP).—Three deaths were caused indirectly tonight by ice-coated pavements. They were those of Edward Vanderhoof, 20 years old, of Paterson; Mrs. Margaret Markert, 38, of East Paterson, and Edward Boccash, 18, of Paterson.

Taylor Perper was driving an automobile which hit a train at Little Falls. Vanderhoof was with him. Perper said he could not stop the car because of slippery pavements. He suffered minor injuries. Boccash was walking in East Paterson with his fiancée. Miss Margaret Markert, and her mother. A bus struck them. The driver, Anthony Cuzimano, said he could not see them until too late to stop his bus on the icy street.

Fire Sweeps Bronx Hardware Store.

Fire swept last night through the cellar and ground floor of the three-story frame building at 859 Union Avenue, the Bronx, destroying the entire stock of the Buxbaum & Stein hardware store on the ground floor. Two families left their apartments in the upper stories in safety. These floors were not damaged. The blaze was put out after a second alarm had been turned in by Battalion Chief Joseph Gray.

Baby Suffocates in Its Carriage.

Special to The New York Times.

STAMFORD, Conn., Dec. 24.—Marcia Sammon, the 10-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sammon of 35 Hoyt Street, was smothered to death this afternoon in her baby carriage. Mrs. Sammon put the child in the carriage on the front porch for a nap. Returning an hour later she found the babe had become buried in the hood of a sleeping bag and had been suffocated.

REV. F. H. ALLEN DIES IN THE STREET

Congregational Minister and Expert on Art Succumbs on Shopping Tour.

WELL KNOWN AS LECTURER

The Author of Sixteen Books on Art and of Many Magazine Articles.

The Rev. Frederick Hovey Allen, Congregational minister and authority on art, dropped dead of heart disease yesterday afternoon while standing at Seventy-first Street and Columbus Avenue waiting for his wife to return from a store. When Mrs. Allen returned she found an ambulance surgeon examining the dead body of her husband.

Dr. Allen, who was 81 years old, was born in Lyme, N. H. He was graduated from Hartford Theological Seminary in 1875 and entered the Congregational ministry. The Springfield Street Church of Boston and the East Boston Congregational Church were among his charges.

In 1895 Dr. Allen became pastor of the Rockland (Mass.) Congregational Church, where his duties permitted him to devote considerable time to writing and lecturing on art. In 1901 he retired from the active ministry and came to New York, where he continued his studies and writings.

In 1917 Dr. Allen moved to the Hotel Majestic and there opened an art gallery, in which there have been hung, from time to time, the works of artists of prominence. He made his home at the hotel until his death.

Two years ago Dr. Allen suffered a stroke of apoplexy. His health since that time necessitated the limiting of his activities. At the time of his death he was working on an autobiography and a book which he had decided to call "Artists I Have Met." He was the author of sixteen books on art, as well as numerous magazine articles.

Mrs. Allen, who was the former Miss M. Cora Bumpus of Auburn, Me., said that burial probably would be in Rockland. The body was removed to Campbell's Funeral Church.

URGES AID FOR JUDAISM.

Ludwig Vogelstein Says Jews Here Are Doing "Less Than Just Share."

Jews of New York City are doing "less than their just share" to perpetuate Judaism, according to Ludwig Vogelstein, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, who spoke at Mount Neboh Temple, 562 West 150th Street, last night. "The city that has more Jews within its limits than any other has or has ever had, the richest city in the world, last year contributed only $50,000 toward our budget of $350,000," he said. "More money was spent by the union in work in New York City than it received there."

Rabbi Nathan Krass of Temple Emanu-El also spoke in support of the work of the union, imploring contributions for it. "The Jews of today are accused of being a pleasure-loving people, a people that live for jewels, clothes, luxuries, material things," he said. "Our only answer to these charges is by living lives that contradict them."

The Rev. Dr. Israel Goldstein, rabbi of the Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, West End Avenue and Eighty-eighth Street, said last night at a special service for college students home for the holidays, that he had not subscribed to the observation that Judaism was on the wane among educated Jews.

"As I look about the Jewish camp," he said, "I find that paganism is just as rampant among the untutored masses. The only difference is perhaps that the college student knows the meaning of the term 'paganism' in its historic background, whereas his less cultured brother, while practicing the same mode of life, does it without being aware of his kinship with ancient Greece and Rome.

"On the contrary I find among Jewish college students a greater readiness to respect the religious and cultural heritage of Israel, even if they are not ready to adopt it and live by it."

FRANKEL SEEKS A DIVORCE.

Investment Firm Head Charges Misconduct—Wife Denies It.

A divorce suit by Maurice Frankel, head of the investment firm of Frankel Brothers, against Mrs. Lillian Frankel was made known in the Supreme Court yesterday when Mrs. Frankel applied through her attorney, Max D. Steuer, for alimony pending the trial, denied misconduct with one McCammon, named in the complaint, or any one else, and asserted that her husband was wealthy.

John J. Curtin, attorney for Mr. Frankel, said that the Frankels had been married nearly twenty years and had a son 16 years old, but that Mr. Frankel was much older than his wife and that she had been seeking the companionship of men more her own age. Mr. Curtin asserted that the corespondent maintained an apartment in upper Fifth Avenue, where he had received Mrs. Frankel occasionally and where a raid had taken place in the early morning of Nov. 3. He said that Mr. Frankel had been charged by the corespondent with disorderly conduct on that occasion. The charges were withdrawn, the attorney said, on Nov. 12, when the corespondent told his own attorney he had to leave the city. Attorney Curtin said that the corespondent and Mrs. Frankel were both registered at a hotel in Greenwich, Conn., that day.

The lawyer said that Mr. Frankel was wealthy at one time, but his wife had gotten much of his wealth.

Justice Crain reserved decision.

Sues for $1,500 for Monkey Bite.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 24 (AP).—Because her son was bitten by a monkey, alleged to be the property of Joseph Maresca, Mrs. Catharine Kennedy of this city is suing Maresca for $1,500 damages for medical care. The boy was standing in front of Maresca's pet shop, according to the complaint, when the monkey, on a leash, came out and bit him on the calf of the leg.

ST. PATRICK'S CROWDED FOR MIDNIGHT MASS

Cathedral Chimes Played Before Early Christmas Service—Christ Called First to Comfort World.

The seating capacity of St. Patrick's Cathedral was taxed and hundreds of persons stood in the aisles and in the vestibules when the annual Christmas midnight mass was celebrated last night. The rector, the Rev. Mgr. Michael J. Lavelle, was celebrant and the assistant rector, the Rev. Bernard F. McQuade, preached. His subject was: "Is Christianity on the Wane?"

"Your presence this morning is the answer to that question," he said. "You are testimony to the fact that Bethlehem is the centre of the world and that all roads lead to Jesus Christ. But the tragedy of His birth is that He does not receive what He came to earth for, the love of man.

"The world, which closed its doors to Mary and Joseph, is the same today. Christ is crowded from the polity of nations, from the legislative halls, from the marts of trade, from the classrooms of universities and the curricula of schools. There is no room for Him today even as there was no room at the inn."

Father McQuade called Christ the first philosopher who had given comfort to the world. Plato, whom he said was the greatest of the pagan philosophers, admitted that a god was needed to bring to the world the answer to its greatest questions.

"The Hebrew philosophers were vague when the people asked, 'What am I, and what do I mean to my creator?'" he said.

"Not until Christ came did they realize that their creator was a God of love."

The cathedral chimes were played for half an hour before the ceremony began, and Fifth Avenue was crowded with taxicabs carrying persons to the service. Hundreds received Holy Communion, which was given by four priests.

ACCUSED OF $20,000 FRAUD.

Man and Woman Held in $10,000 Bail Each for Stock Deals.

Special to The New York Times.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 24.—Following an investigation by officials of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, Betty McCabe, 25 years old, and William Belt, 34, both of Camden, were locked up in the Camden County Jail in default of $10,000 bail each, fixed by Police Judge Cleary this afternoon on charges of obtaining money under false pretenses and selling securities without a license in violation of Pennsylvania's "blue sky" laws. They are wanted in Reading, Pa.

The police say the two are connected with the new brokerage firm of Lerman & Co. of Camden. Belt gave his occupation as manager and the woman gave hers as clerk. It is charged that persons in various States have been cheated out of about $20,000 by bucket shop methods.

Both defendants declared that the "whole matter is due to persecution," and Belt said: "Somebody will sweat for these arrests, because we can prove our business was and is legitimate."

MISSING AFTER FIRE.

Greenwich Man Was Last Seen in Burned Ely Court.

Special to The New York Times.

GREENWICH, Conn., Dec. 24.—No doubt remained today that Granville Lingard, 60 years old and superintendent of the J. R. McKee estate, had perished in the flames which completely destroyed Ely Court, a fashionable school for girls here valued at $1,000,000, early yesterday morning. Firemen searched the ruins, but found no trace of Lingard.

Lingard was last seen alive in the interior of the blazing structure seeking to rouse the ten occupants and to extinguish the fire. About that time the water tank on the roof slipped from its supports and plunged down through the flames.

Not knowing that her husband was missing, Mrs. Lingard served coffee to the firemen.

SIGHT BACK FOR CHRISTMAS

Woman Again Sees After Fifteen Years of Blindness.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 24 (AP).—Blind for fifteen years, Mrs. Catherine E. Morrison, 30, has regained her eyesight and tomorrow will be the first Christmas she has seen in all these years.

When she was 14 a film developed over the left eye. Then the right eye was affected by the loss of the sight of the left eye. Specialists examined her and no hope was held out for her recovery of sight. Recently Dr. James E. McAskill made an examination and a delicate operation was performed and now she is able to see and to read a book printed in large type.

A minor operation is yet to be performed, but it is stated that the eyesight will grow stronger each day.

ACADEMY HONORS BLIND.

"Prix de Vertu" Award to Home Winifred Holt Mather Founded.

Special to The New York Times.

PARIS, Dec. 24 (AP).—The "Phare de France," an institution endowed with American money for the care of French veterans blinded during the war, has been awarded the "Prix de Vertu" by the French Academy.

The "Phare" (meaning lighthouse) is the first American charity organization thus recognized by the Academy. It was founded by Mrs. Winifred Holt Mather of New York.

Find Middletown Man Is 104.

Special to The New York Times.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Because of his present activities about the village the residents of Ellenville, a few miles from here, have been unable to believe that Moses Wolf had passed the century mark. An investigation was therefore instituted, which has resulted in the discovery that Wolf was born in Oberklingen, Hessen, Germany, on July 27, 1822, placing him in his 105th year. The information was secured from an ancient synagogue record.

Ex-Kaiser Orders New Uniform.

BERLIN, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Wet Am Montag reports that the former Kaiser recently ordered a new uniform of the Guard Hussars to be made for him. The paper wonders editorially whether the former ruler is "trying to impress the village urchins of Doorn with this bright red garb or whether possibly he is thinking of entering Germany in so picturesque a manner."

CAPT. WELKER DIES; VETERAN SCIENTIST

Served in the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey for 42 Years.

HIS WORK IN ASTRONOMY

Directed Coastal Surveys in Panama, Porto Rico, Alaska and the Philippine Islands.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Captain Philip A. Welker, a noted scientist who served forty-two years in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, died early this morning at Somerset House. Born in Toledo, Ohio, June 1, 1857, and graduated from Cornell University in civil engineering in 1878, he was appointed to the Coast and Geodetic Survey in 1879. He took part in the work of the survey throughout nearly every section of the United States, Alaska, Porto Rico, the Isthmus of Panama and the Philippine Islands. This included all branches of activity from triangulation astronomical observations in his earlier days through the arduous duties of hydrographer in the ocean depths to responsible administrative positions in Washington.

As early as 1880 he was engaged on a hydrographic survey of Baltimore harbor and at various times on surveys in Chesapeake Bay. From 1898 to 1910, as commanding officer of the Coast and Geodetic Survey ship Bache, he executed surveys along the coasts of the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico, and in the Caribbean Sea.

His surveys of the coasts of Porto Rico and off the Isthmus of Panama formed the basis for some of the first complete navigating charts of these waters prepared by the United States Government. His other surveys of the coastal waters were also necessary additions to the charts required by navigators.

His work in astronomy included observations for the transit of Venus over the sun in California in 1882, and observations of the annular eclipse of the sun at San Francisco in 1886.

He was representative of the bureau in the field observations connected with the survey of the boundary between Alaska and Canada and a member of the geodetic conferences held in Washington. In 1901 he was assigned to duty in the Philippine Islands and served as Director of Coast Surveys there until 1914, in which position he had direct charge of the execution of original surveys carried out by the Federal Government for the purpose of mapping and charting the islands. He also served as a member and secretary of the Philippine Committee on Geographical Names and as member of the Harbor Lines Commission of the Philippine Islands. Upon his return to the United States he was appointed assistant in charge of the Survey Office at Washington.

Captain Welker was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Washington Society of Engineers, Beta Theta Pi, Cosmos and Federal Clubs in Washington, the University Club of Manila, the Philippine Club of New York City. He was a prominent member of St. John's Episcopal Church, a Thirty-second Degree Mason and a Knights Templar. He is survived by his widow, who was formerly Miss Gertrude M. Lanahan of Baltimore, and their son, Philip Lanahan Welker, a senior at Cornell University. His daughter, Mrs. Howard R. Willis, resides in Cleveland, Ohio.

BARON MONTEAGLE DEAD.

Title Descends to Thomas A. Spring-Rice of Diplomatic Service.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Baron Monteagle of Brandon died today. The barony is inherited by Thomas Aubrey Spring-Rice, formerly Secretary of the British Embassy at Washington.

The late Baron Monteagle was 77 years old. He succeeded to the title in 1866 on the death of his grandfather, Thomas Spring-Rice, on whom Queen Victoria had bestowed in 1839 one of her first peerages.

The Baron just deceased was a cousin of the former British Ambassador at Washington, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice. He was a student rather than a politician, and achieved some distinction in mathematics. His country estate at Mount Trenchard, County Limerick, Ireland, included about 10,000 acres, and, ten years ago at any rate, yielded a revenue of $50,000 a year. His only son, on whom the title now falls, is 43 years old. The new Baron has held many diplomatic secretaryships in the last twenty years. Lately he has been in the Foreign Office.

AIR BURIAL FOR MAIL PILOT.

Ashes of R. B. Patterson Will Be Scattered From Plane.

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 24 (AP).—In accordance with his expressed wish the ashes of R. B. (Pat) Patterson, pioneer air mail pilot, will be scattered from an airplane over the lonely mountain butte in the foothills of the Siskiyous where his plane crashed to earth last Thursday. The accident caused injuries which brought about his death from infection yesterday.

The funeral plane will be piloted by Arthur Starbuck, air mail pilot and friend of the dead aviator. The exact date has not been determined.

Funeral arrangements were made by the widow and a brother, William N. Patterson of Santa Cruz, Cal. A sister in Oskaloosa, Iowa, also survives him.

Charles F. Brooker Buried.

TORRINGTON, Conn., Dec. 24 (AP).—Charles F. Brooker, copper man and widely known citizen, was laid to rest today in the family plot in Hillside Cemetery here. The Rev. Dr. J. Chauncey Linsley, rector of Trinity Church, Torrington, conducted the committal service. About forty men and women, including executives of practically all the Torrington manufacturing plants, attended. The body was brought here last night from Ansonia, where services were held yesterday afternoon, and rested during the night in the Alvord Memorial Chapel in Hillside Cemetery.

Jefferson Davis Pallbearer Dies.

BILOXI, Miss., Dec. 24 (AP).—F. W. Elmer Sr., 79, former Mayor, educator, member of the State Legislature and a pallbearer for Jefferson Davis, died here today.

ABEL K. CASSEL DEAD.

At Republican State Headquarters, Philadelphia, for 40 Years.

Special to The New York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Abel K. Cassel, for forty years connected with Republican State headquarters, is dead at his home in Moore, a Philadelphia suburb.

Friends said "Old Abe," or "the Colonel," as some called him, died of a broken heart. Five months ago the new Republican leadership of Pennsylvania ousted him from his position as sergeant-at-arms at headquarters.

Senator Matthew S. Quay was coming into the Republican State leadership when Mr. Cassel entered the committee's service. The two became intimately acquainted. Later Mr. Cassel became the confidant of the late Senator Boies Penrose, who gave "Old Abe" his proxy to sit in the convention which nominated Harding.

P. H. REPPENHAGEN, 95, DIES

Vice President of Fulton Savings Bank, Brooklyn, for 34 Years.

Peter H. Reppenhagen, the oldest active banker in Brooklyn and Vice President of the Fulton Savings Bank for the last thirty-four years, died in his ninety-sixth year on Thursday at his home, 90 Cumberland Street, Brooklyn. Mr. Reppenhagen was born in Germany. He was for many years in the grocery business, but gave this up to devote himself to banking. He had been a trustee of the Fulton Savings Bank for forty-eight years and for many years was Chairman of its mortgage committee.

George Looms, Author.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 24 (AP).—George Looms, author and journalist, dramatic critic of The Express, died here today from complications following an operation.

Looms was born at Louisville, Ky., Nov. 22, 1886, where his father was a carriage manufacturer, and was graduated from Princeton University. He served in the army as Lieutenant and Captain of infantry during the World War, the end of which found him broken in health. In Fitzsimmons Hospital, Denver, he wrote most of his first novel, "Stubble." Two other books followed—"John No-Brawn" and "The Caraways."

He is survived by his mother, his wife and a daughter. Burial will be at Louisville.

John H. Selleck.

Special to The New York Times.

DARIEN, Conn., Dec. 24.—John H. Selleck, for the last thirty-seven years a figure in the public life of this town, is dead at his home, 35 Mansfield Avenue, in his sixty-eighth year. Mr. Selleck was Chairman of the Republican Town Committee from 1890 to 1900, was Selectman of the town from 1918 to 1922 and member of the Board of Assessors for more than twenty years. At the time of his death he was Chairman of the board.

Mr. Selleck is survived by his wife and one son, Joseph C. Selleck.

Donal L. Miller.

Special to The New York Times.

GREENWICH, Conn., Dec. 24.—Donal L. Miller, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Port Chester, N. Y., died in United Hospital today of lobar pneumonia. Prior to coming to Port Chester he had been Y secretary at Mansfield, Ohio, where he was born forty-one years ago. He served as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy during the World War. He is survived by a wife, parents, brother and sister.

Albert F. Gescheidt.

Albert F. Gescheidt, long prominent in the civic life of Mount Vernon, member of the law firm of Gescheidt & Gillette, died yesterday morning at his home, 30 Cottage Avenue, Mount Vernon, aged 51. He belonged to one of the oldest families of the city. Mr. Gescheidt had been an acting City Judge, head of the old Zoning Board of Appeals, and Democratic candidate for Mayor against Elmer L. Kincaid in 1919.

Obituary Notes.

BENJAMIN J. SFORZA, a retired real estate operator, died on Wednesday at his home, 942 Seventy-second Street, Brooklyn. He was a member of Admiral Dewey Council 345, K. of C.

Mrs. CATHERINE PERRY, wife of William McAllister Perry, died Thursday afternoon at her residence, 48 Petit Place, Elmhurst, L. I. She was a native of Glasgow, Scotland. Besides her husband, she is survived by two sons, William and Edward Perry, and two daughters, Catherine and Margaret Perry. She was a member of the Methodist Church in Elmhurst. Funeral services will be held at the home at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

SPENCER WEART, a Hudson County lawyer, died Thursday at his home in New Brunswick, N. J. He was 70 years old, a graduate of Princeton University, a director of the New Jersey Title Guarantee and Trust Company of Jersey City and President of the Oilless Bearing Company of Bound Brook.

ALFRED E. BARLOW, architect, of this city and St. Petersburg, Fla., died Thursday at the age of 71, in St. Petersburg.

RICHARD B. WALL, for forty-three years historian of The New London Day, an author in the history of New London, died there yesterday, aged 63.

ALFRED C. PURPLE, President of the Commercial Bank and Trust Company of Guilford, Miss., died there yesterday, aged 49.

BERNARD F. BRADY, who never missed a night's work during fifteen years of driving a delivery truck for The World, died yesterday at his home, 347 East Fifty-second Street, after a three days' illness.

THOMAS W. SMITH, for 43 years in the service of the New York, Ontario & Western Railroad in Middletown, N. Y., was found dead yesterday in the yard store-room, where he was employed. He would have celebrated his sixty-fifth birthday on Sunday. He is survived by his widow.

ALEXANDER MAITLAND, 60, President of the Kansas City Bridge Company and well-known consulting engineer, died in Kansas City, Mo., yesterday.

P. J. REILLY, who lived at 2,333 Grand Concourse, resident buyer in this city of the D. H. Holmes Co. of New Orleans, died suddenly yesterday. Services will be held Monday in the Church of Our Lady of Mercy, Fordham.

Births

WEITZ—Mr. and Mrs. Frank (nee Rose Rochman), 1,510 Crotona Park East, a girl, on Dec. 22, at St. Mark's Hospital.

Confirmations

ROSENSCHEIN—Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rosenschein announce the bar mitzvah of their son, George, on Saturday morning, Dec. 25, at the Temple Israel, 210 West 91st St., at 10 A. M. Reception Sunday, Dec. 26, from 3-6, at 740 West End Av. No cards.

Engagements

STEINHARDT—FRANK—Mr. and Mrs. Morris Frank of 222 West Eighty-third Street wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Annette, to Mr. Milton Steinhardt on Dec. 25, on the occasion of the golden wedding anniversary of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Saqui.

Marriages

FRIBOURG—BRINDZE—Mr. and Mrs. B. Brindze wish to announce the marriage of their daughter, Ruth, to Albert W. Fribourg on Tuesday, Dec. 21.

Deaths

ALLEN—Rev. Fred. Reposing Campbell's Funeral Church, Broadway, 66th St.

BARLOW—Alfred E., age 71, architect of New York City and St. Petersburg, Fla., on Thursday, Dec. 23. He leaves a wife and son. His late home is 566 2d Av. South, St. Petersburg, Fla. Other papers please copy.

Deaths

Allen, Fred.
Barlow, Alfred E.
Blanchard, F. H.
Board, William H.
Bondy, Theresa A.
Britenstool, Fanny.
Ryan, John C.
Campbell, Mary E.
Cassard, William J.
Christian, Lillie H.
Coleman, Olive.
Coulston, Edythe.
Cozzens, Mary I.
Crone, Max.
Crowell, Joseph.
Devery, Andrew.
Doonan, Thomas J.
Epstein, Jennie.
Fisher, Allen A.
Gardin, John E.
Gescheidt, Albert F.
Gillick, Margaret.
Green, Clarence S.
Haggeberg, Axel.
Harrison, S. Louise.
Hart, Arthur O'D.
Howells, Victoria W.
Kraus, Julius.
Kurtz, Augusta.
Lippman, Abraham.
McGrath, Lily B.
Marshall, K. P.
Martin, Eugene M.
Metzger, Alexander.
Meyer, Charles.
Moore, Florence E.
Mord, Jacob.
Parnson, Norbert R.
Perlman, Nathan.
Perry, Catherine.
Pywell, Albert.
Reilly, P. J.
Ripinski, Lucy.
Roe, Sara S.
Rothschild, Fannie.
Scharff, Hyman.
Seckels, William.
Sonepouse, Minnie.
Sonnenschein, Maria.
Stocker, Charles W.
Struss, Marie F.
Tisdale, Ella M.
Tyler, Charles.
Wagar, Mortimer H.
Ward, Fanny.
Weart, Spencer.
Weltzien, Charles.
Wittenauer, C. C.
Wolf, Louise.
Young, Nellie A.

BLANCHARD—At Hackensack, N. J., Dec. 23, 1926, Frederick H. Blanchard, aged 77 years. Funeral services at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Eugene H. Bird, 95 Fairmount Av., Hackensack, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 26, at 3 o'clock.

BOARD—William H., suddenly, aged 64, beloved husband of Annie G. (nee Backs) and fond father of William H. Jr., David N., Milton F. and Francis L. Board. Funeral services at his home, 1,197 East 18th St., Flatbush, Sunday, 2 P. M.

BONDY—Theresa A., on Dec. 24, beloved mother of Emma R. Simpson. Reposing at Baimford Chapel, 1,855 Amsterdam Av., at 154th St. Interment Woodlawn 2 P. M. Sunday.

BRITENSTOOL—Fanny Frauenthal, after a lingering illness, on Dec. 24, beloved mother of Dr. Harry and Blanche Ostheimer. Funeral strictly private. Kindly omit flowers. Rochester (N. Y.) and Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) papers please copy.

RYAN—On Friday, Dec. 24, 1926, John C. Ryan, beloved son of Mary A. Ryan and the late John Ryan and brother of Mae A. Huberty, in his twenty-ninth year. Funeral from his residence, 1,034 Madison St., Brooklyn, Monday, at 9 A. M.; thence to Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, where a requiem mass will be celebrated at 10 A. M. Interment Calvary Cemetery.

CAMPBELL—On Thursday, Dec. 23, 1926, Mary E. Campbell (nee Haughney), widow of the late James Campbell and beloved mother of Mrs. John Flaherty, Madeline and Edward Campbell, at her residence, 103 Windsor Place, Brooklyn. Funeral on Monday, Dec. 27, at 9:30 A. M. Requiem mass at the R. C. Church of the Holy Name. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers. Masses appreciated.

CASSARD—At New Rochelle, N. Y., Dec. 23, 1926, William J. Cassard, in his seventy-seventh year. Funeral private. Interment Greenwood Cemetery, New York.

CHRISTIAN—At Philadelphia, Lillie Henry, wife of the late Rev. George M. Christian, D. D., entered into rest eternal Thursday, Dec. 23, 1926. Funeral from St. Mark's Church, Locust St., above 16th St., Philadelphia, Monday, Dec. 27, at 10:30 A. M. Interment private.

COLEMAN—At Mount Vernon, N. Y., on Dec. 23, 1926, Olive, beloved wife of James T. Coleman. Funeral service at her late home, 52 North 10th Av., Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery.

COULSTON—At Montclair, N. J., on Friday, Dec. 24, 1926, Edythe Bower, beloved wife of W. Ivan Coulston. Funeral services will be held at her home, 41 Warren Place, Montclair, on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

COZZENS—On Friday, Dec. 24, at her home, 567 Palisade Av., Yonkers, Mary Isabelle Cozzens, after an illness of thirty months, in her eightieth year. Funeral service at St. John's Episcopal Church, Yonkers, Monday, at 3:15 P. M.

CRONE—On Dec. 24, Max, at his residence, 150 West 95th St., husband of the late Sarah and dearly beloved father of Edward and Ethel Michel. Funeral services at the West End Funeral Chapel, 200 West 91st St., Sunday, Dec. 26, at 2 P. M.

CROWELL—Joseph, on Thursday, Dec. 23. Funeral services at his late residence, 14 West 123d St., Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

CROWELL—Joseph, Sons of the American Revolution, Empire State Society: With sincere regret announcement is made of the death on Dec. 23, 1926, of Compatriot Joseph Crowell. Compatriots are invited to attend his funeral, to be held at his late residence, 14 West 123d St., New York City, on Monday afternoon, Dec. 27, at 4 o'clock. GANSON DEPEW, President. CHARLES A. DUBOIS, Secretary.

DEVERY—Andrew, Lieutenant, P. D. N. Y., beloved husband of Catherine and father of Loretta, William S., Walter S. and Andrew Jr. Funeral from his late residence, 2,350 Creston Av., Monday, Dec. 27, 9:30 A. M. Requiem mass Church of St. Simon Stock, 182d St. and Ryer Av., 10 A. M. Interment Calvary. Auto cortege.

DEVERY—Andrew. Mystic Rose Council 268, Knights of Columbus, announces with deep regret the death of Brother Andrew Devery on Thursday, Dec. 23, 1926. Members will kindly assemble at his late residence, 2,350 Creston Av., Bronx, New York City, on Sunday evening, Dec. 26, at 8 o'clock, to pay their last respects. Solemn requiem mass for the repose of his soul Monday, Dec. 27, at 10 A. M., at St. Simon Stock's Roman Catholic Church, 182d St. and Ryer Av., Bronx.
WILLIAM H. LEE, Grand Knight.
WILLIAM J. O'KEEFE, Recorder.

DOONAN—Thomas J., suddenly, son of the late Patrick J. and Mary Doonan and nephew of Mrs. Josephine E. Keesing. Funeral from his aunt's residence, 28 West 174th, on Monday, Dec. 27, 1926, at 9:30 A. M

LOST and FOUND

Advertisements received until midnight
TELEPHONE LACKAWANNA 1000
Rate 60 cents an agate line.

LOST.

BAG, brown, containing medical instruments, Lexington Av. between 74th and 67th Sts., Dec. 21; name and address on prescription blanks and card inside. Reward.

BAG—Black leather, from auto, between Fall River Line and Brooklyn; reward. Phone Ingersoll 5204.

BAG—Gray beaded, money; Wednesday night. Liberal reward. Johnstone, 124 West 55th.

BRIEF CASE, brown leather, business papers, family photos, Tuesday, B. M. T.; reward; no questions asked, or mail contents; C. F. Loch, 30 Maiden Lane.

BRIEF CASE, black leather, initialed "E. S.," containing music, &c.; yellow taxi, Thursday, Dec. 16; reward. 344 West 84th.

BRIEFCASE, brown leather, marked K. & L., taxi, Thursday; liberal reward. Peskin, Cortlandt 8887 or Kilpatrick 10085.

EYEGLASSES, Wednesday, between 111th St.-Broadway and N. Y. Training School; name in case. Faulkner. Cathedral 9068. Reward.

KEYS on gold chain, Tuesday, vicinity West 90th; liberal reward. Riverside 7317.

OVERNIGHT CASE, man's, tan, initialed J. H. B., lost left in taxi 11:35 P. M. Thursday at Lexington Av., 43d St.; reward. Griffen, 421 Lexington Av., city. Vanderbilt 4636.

PACKAGE containing documents, taxi, between 18th-70th Sts., east; reward. Hanover 8444.

PURSE, black leather; glasses, money, &c.; Tuesday night; keep money, return bag and contents. 27 West 89th.

PURSE, lost, containing money, scarab ring; reward. Miss Beutner. Caledonia 5421.

SUITCASE, black, clothing, vicinity Staten Island Ferry, Thursday; liberal reward. Bingham 4811.

UMBRELLA, brown, subway station 57th St., Chinese handle; reward. Rosenson, 25 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. Tel. 6705 Nevins.

Jewelry.

BAR PIN, composed four cuff buttons, platinum, blue enamel and small diamonds, lost Wednesday morning, 70th St., west Broadway or Madison Av., between 59th and 60th Sts.; reward. Elsas, Lawrence, L. I. Phone Cedarhurst 1868.

BRACELET—Diamond, flexible; cluster centre; diamonds surrounding; Saturday night; taxi or Roosevelt Hotel; reward. Phone John 4518.

BRACELET, diamond and emerald, between New Rochelle and 40th St., Fifth Av.; liberal reward. Telephone New Rochelle 9058.

DIAMOND—Large, loose, square-cut diamond, Blue taxi between Olcott Hotel, 72d, 90th, Broadway, Friday; reward. Trafalgar 6611.

LORGNETTE, platinum, diamond, between 75th, Amsterdam, 74th, Broadway; reward. X 2383 Times Annex.

NECKLACE, pearl, diamond clasp, vicinity Park Av.-78th; liberal reward. Butterfield 4956.

PEARL BEADS, string graduated, white gold clasp, set with 3 small diamonds; reward. Schuyler 7937.

PENDANT, canary diamond centre and sapphires, lost between Franklin Av., Brooklyn, and 55th St. and 6th Av., New York; reward. Sterling 0402.

PIN—Diamond horseshoe, lost between 34th St., and 59th St. on 5th Av. Liberal reward. W. S. Silkworth, Roslyn, L. I. Phone Roslyn 414.

PIN—Diamond circle, gallery setting; Monday, in taxi, or shopping district; reward if returned to Travers, 64 East 73d St.

PIN, topaz, antique setting, last Sunday or Monday; reward. Douglas, 375 Central Park West. Academy 8548.

PIN, lapislazuli with pearls, gold; Tuesday; liberal reward. Murray Hill 1791.

RING, cabochon sapphire, diamonds surrounding; platinum; Dec. 21; reward. Harold J. Henry, 15 Maiden Lane. No questions asked.

RING, man's diamond, platinum, open design; reward. Phone Vanderbilt 5348, Room 3041.

RINGS (2)—Man's diamond, lady's diamond; about $70 money, in small bag; Monday; vicinity Brooklyn; reward. Decatur 10246.

WATCH and chain, man's, open faced, lost Thursday afternoon in Hotel Plaza washroom; valued as a keepsake; crest on back; liberal reward. No questions asked if returned to Morgan H. Grace, 301 Produce Exchange Building, Bowling Green 0370.

WATCH—Gentleman's gold watch, chain, knife and cigarette case; watch and case initialed J. R. G.; lost Dec. 22 in New York City or in taxi. $100 reward for the return of them to H. L. Smith, 15 William St. Hanover 0630.

WRIST WATCH, platinum, Thursday, name, date and donor on back; reward. Mary Dorothy Norman, 400 Riverside Drive.

$150 REWARD
for return of bracelet, containing 40 diamonds and emerald and diamond charm, lost Dec. 20 between Sherry's and Central Park West or in taxi. Herbert J. Payne, 15 William St. Hanover 0630.

$100 REWARD
for return of oval platinum brooch containing diamonds and onyx, lost Dec. 19, vicinity East 80th St. or on Riverside bus. A. R. Lee & Co., 15 William St. Hanover 0630.

$100 REWARD
for return of platinum and diamond double circle brooch, lost Dec. 21 between 97th and 97th Sts., Metropolitan Opera House or in taxicab. Raymond C. Yard, Inc., 607 5th Av.

$100 REWARD
for return of platinum bar pin, containing 23 diamonds, lost Dec. 21 vicinity 26th St., 7th Av. or West 112th St. A. R. Lee & Co., Inc., 15 William St. Hanover 0630.

LIBERAL reward for return of platinum mesh wrist watch, containing 3 diamond buckles, lost Dec. 18 in or near Sam Harris Theatre, Joplin & Harding, 522 5th Av. Murray Hill 8002.

$10 REWARD return of gold flexible bracelet, engraved inside "Mine." Return Monday morning. Edith M. Smith, care of George Vincent, 315 East 62d.

Wearing Apparel.

COAT—Seal (fur trimming), Nedick's, 14th St., Tuesday evening; reward. Havemeyer 2545J.

Cats, Dogs and Birds.

ANGORA CAT, smoke color, lost; $10 reward. 415 East 51st.

BELGIAN GRIFFON, nine pounds, tan body, black face, lost Dec. 24, 5 P. M., Washington Square; $100 reward. Return Shoop, 23 Washington Square.

COCKER SPANIEL, white and brown female, near 54th St., Return to 131 East 54th St. Reward.

COLLIE, male, collar, leash, Dec. 18, St Nicholas Av., 170th. Wadsworth 4231.

DOG, police, six months old; reward. John Pass, 552 West 141st St.

POODLE DOG, white, vicinity 80th-Lexington; answers name Snowball; reward. Lenox 7743.

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RADIO NEWS
The New York Times
Tomorrow—Sunday

Bells of Old Trinity to usher in New Year on radio. Opera and concert stars on the air New Year's night. John McCormack, tenor, leads list of artists. Chimes and watch night services to bid old year farewell.

Transatlantic "Talk Bridge" leads 1926 radio progress. Expect overseas radiophone to be available for public service within short time. Observers review developments in broadcasting.

Operatic quartet to sing over fifteen stations Sunday night. Damrosch and Gershwin in recital New Year's night.

EULOGY EXPLAINS MUNSEY GIFT TO ART

E. J. Ridgway Says the Late Publisher Hoped to Promote Culture in America.

CALLS WILL FAR-SIGHTED

Associate Declares Munsey Had an Intense Interest in Art—Made Decision After Years.

Erman J. Ridgway, now of Chula Vista, Cal., an associate of the late Frank A. Munsey, publisher of The Sun, other newspapers and magazines, explained yesterday in a eulogy of Mr. Munsey how the publisher came to leave most of his estate, valued at $25,000,000, to the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Mr. Munsey's will, made public a few days after his death on Dec. 22, 1925, surprised apparently many persons who knew him well because he had never indicated publicly any unusual interest in art. Officers of the Museum said he was a member who paid $10 annually into the institution's treasury along with hundreds of other persons, but none recalled ever having seen him there. Mr. Ridgway in his eulogy, as printed in The Evening Post, disclosed that Mr. Munsey had an intense interest in art, believed America needed a keener appreciation of it and thought long of how to leave his money so Americans might learn more about art.

"He talked to me quite a little about his will and was impatient because I could not help him," said Mr. Ridgway. "He seemed to think because I had graduated from college I should be able to tell him just where to make twenty or thirty million do the best work for education. There has been a good deal of criticism about the chief's will, most of it, I am bound to say, from people who will never have any difficulty in disposing of their own estates. The critics may rest assured of one thing—it was not a hasty will. It was a very far-sighted will. And the man who made it expected to face his Creator and was willing to stand or fall on His verdict.

"It has been urged that the chief did not know art, and that, therefore, his will, leaving his millions to an art museum, was unnatural. Carnegie did not know literature when he gave his libraries. Rockefeller did not know medical science when he endowed the foundation. It is natural for men to set high values on what they do not know about. Through his will the chief wanted to serve in a big way, and, if possible, in a unique way. For years he investigated and weighed. What was the biggest unsatisfied need in America? What was the thing most people lacked? What did other nations say Americans lack? Appreciation of art—an understanding of its place in a rounded civilization. The chief did not frequent art galleries, nor stand enrapt before a masterpiece, but he did appreciate loveliness—a rose, a stunning woman, a birch tree, a sunset. He did build beautiful buildings even if they were practical and profitable."

Mr. Ridgway said Mr. Munsey thought after the World War of buying a ducal estate in Austria which included a "superb art gallery."

"When in romantic and florid terms he was wont to tell of the dream and describe the estate he always saved the art gallery for the climax," he continued, "and when he came to that his voice would take on a note almost of reverence as he told of the wonderful gallery and the priceless masterpieces. Just what relation this experience had, if any, to his will nobody living knows. If he had not already decided, it may well have been determining. But it does show that the chief was far from being insensible to the deep appeal of art. That he wanted his will to make a huge splash I cheerfully affirm. How he would have enjoyed the universal amazement! But the real inspiration for his magnificent and most intelligent gift to the Metropolitan Museum of Art came from his intense desire to do a lasting service for humanity. It was the tremendous hour of his life when he hit upon the idea of making his millions work through the centuries for culture, for the finer side of life. It must have strained him mightily to keep that gorgeous secret."

The remainder of Mr. Ridgway's eulogy was a tribute to the personal qualities of Mr. Munsey, whom he called the "protector" of his associates and friends, who were eager to honor him.

GOVERNOR TO BE UP TODAY.

He Hopes to Join in Christmas Festivities With His Family.

Special to The New York Times.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Governor Smith, who has been indisposed with a heavy cold for the past three days, probably will be able to participate in the Christmas festivities at the Executive Mansion tomorrow, it was said there tonight. The Governor's condition was somewhat improved today, but he did not remain up all day, taking to his bed in the afternoon to conserve his strength.

It is planned to have a family party at the mansion tomorrow, with probably a few friends in for the evening to witness a motion picture show. The Christmas tree is all ready and was lighted tonight as the members of the Governor's family began to arrive. One of the first to reach the mansion was Lawrence Dunn of New York City, brother of Mrs. Smith; Mrs. John Glynn, the Governor's sister, also came during the afternoon.

Alfred E. Smith Jr. and his wife reached here tonight and earlier in the evening Arthur Smith, Mrs. Smith and their baby arrived. Walter and Emily Smith were at the mansion and Major and Mrs. John A. Warner joined the party for dinner tonight.

The family plans to attend mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception tomorrow morning, after which they will have breakfast. Governor Smith sent word tonight that he did not believe his cold would keep him from distributing the gifts with which the big Christmas tree is laden.

McKinley Left $1,250,000 Estate.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Dec. 24 (AP).—The estate of Senator William B. McKinley is valued at $1,250,000 in a petition for probate hearing filed today. The hearing was set for Jan. 17. The will contained numerous bequests to charity and one to the widow from whom the Senator had lived apart for many years.

Chicago Population at 3,151,989.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Based on birth rates and school and assessors' statistics, Chicago's population is now 3,151,989, an increase of 16.7 per cent. over the 1920 official census. The population of the metropolitan area is estimated at 4,100,000, which coincides with the Chicago Association of Commerce estimate.

'BLIND ANGLES' CAUSED FATAL AIR COLLISION

Board of Inquiry Finds Pilots' View Was Restricted—Military Funeral for Four.

RANTOUL, Ill., Dec. 24 (AP).—The inability of an airplane pilot to get more than a limited view from his cockpit of the air ahead of his machine was recognized today as a hazardous element in flying by a military board of inquiry after investigating the mid-air collision of two planes over Chanute Field on Wednesday, in which four flying officers were killed.

The board concluded that when the two planes came together almost headon, four hundred feet above the field, each pilot was unable to see the other machine because they approached "at blind angles."

Officers pointed out that the inability of a pilot to see in all directions long had called for great caution in flying when two or more planes were in the air. Many a time passengers in the rear cockpit have been asked to keep an eye out for planes from other directions because the rear seat offers a view of the surroundings from different angles than the pilot's seat. Occasionally, they said, collisions have been averted by warnings from passengers.

The evidence indicated that possibly Lieutenant Ralph L. Lawter of Huntington, W. Va., caught sight a second before the crash of the other plane, flown by Lieutenant Henry Kunkel of Columbia, Mo., but not in time to swing clear.

Major William McChord, who headed the board of inquiry, pointed out that the problem of "blind angles" is to aviation the same problem which motor car manufacturers faced a few years ago, when closed cars came into vogue with tops, the supports of which kept the driver from seeing cars approaching from some angles at intersections.

With military honors, officers and men of Chanute Field conducted funeral services today for the four officers in the gymnasium at the field, converted into a chapel on the day when it was to have been the scene of a Christmas eve fête.

After the services the bodies of Lieutenants Lawter and Kunkel were placed on a train to be taken to Arlington Cemetery. The body of Captain Harold Foster will be buried in Chicago, his home, and that of Lieutenant Albert J. Clayton at West Philadelphia, where he resided.

INDIANA CHARGES FAIL.

Grand Jury Returns No Indictments After Corruption Inquiry.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24 (AP).—Eleven weeks of investigation of charges of corruption among high officials of Indiana have failed to result in indictments by the Grand Jury that conducted the inquiry. The Grand Jurors were not unanimous, however, in the opinion that the evidence did not warrant indictments. Five of the six jurors can vote indictments, but it is reported that only four were in favor of returning indictments.

The Grand Jury completed its report this afternoon and submitted it to Judge James A. Collins of the Criminal Court, who returned it with instructions to eliminate or change the final paragraph, which, he declared, violated the oath the jurors had taken to disclose none of the evidence submitted.

The report was taken back to the Grand Jury room, but after a few minutes the investigators adjourned. The report probably will be submitted again to the Judge next Monday.

Judge Collins said it was a fair inference that the report contained no indictments. This view was also held by Fred C. Gause, special deputy prosecutor, who has been assisting in the inquiry. There was no comment from the Grand Jurors.

The corruption charges which brought about the inquiry were first made by Thomas H. Adams, publisher of The Vincennes (Ind.) Commercial, who, with several colleagues, made an independent investigation into the political situation.

$131 TO AID RODDER FAMILY.

Plight of Starving Woman and Three Children Brings Contributions

Persons whose lot has been cast in more fortunate circumstances than hers have contributed $131 for the relief of Mrs. Rose Rodder, who on Wednesday night was compelled to apply to the police department because she and her three children were friendless and starving.

John J. Parker of the Hotel Monterey yesterday sent her a check for $40 and also paid the rent of her furnished room at 118 West Eighty-third Street for ten weeks. Sol Katzenstein made a collection in his office at 1,182 Broadway with the result that $41 was contributed. Other persons sent contributions ranging from $1 upward. The two elder children are in the care of the Children's Society until arrangements can be made for them to be looked after while the mother is incapacitated.

Mrs. Rodder's husband went to Philadelphia several weeks ago in search of employment and she was left with three small children and no funds. She is unable to undertake anything but the lightest employment.

CELEBRATE IN GARFIELD, N.J.

Textile Mill Owners Aid Party for Children of Former Strikers.

Special to The New York Times.

GARFIELD, N. J., Dec. 24.—Belmont Park, where the riot act was read last Summer and textile strikers were expelled with the threat of gas bombs, was the setting today of a Christmas party at which the guests were 2,000 poor children of the city, most of them children of former strikers. The party was given by the Mayor's Christmas Committee with funds collected by public subscription. Among the donors to the fund were several executives of mills affected by the recent strike.

Dominating the scene was Garfield's first community Christmas tree. It has been standing for several days on the brow of Belmont Hill, visible for a great distance in all directions. Brilliantly lighted it has been a particularly beautiful beacon at night.

The children gathered around the tree today and received presents, distributed by ex-Councilman Max Klemm, and sang carols. An elaborate program was given in Belmont Park Hall. It included moving pictures and acts contributed by actors and actresses from Garfield, Newark and Passaic. Baskets of food were given to 126 families by the Mayor's Committee.

Hartwick Seminary the Oldest.

In the account in THE TIMES of Thursday of the election of the Rev. Dr. Charles M. Jacobs as President of Mount Airy Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, is was said that this was the oldest Lutheran seminary in America. The oldest is Hartwick Seminary at Hartwick, N. Y., which was established in 1797 under private auspices.

BOY'S PARENTS DIE AFTER BUYING GIFTS

Gas Stove Consumes Oxygen in Tenement Kitchen While They Plan for Holiday.

NEIGHBOR RESCUES CHILD

Water Dripping Into Apartment From Overflowing Tub Stirs Call for Police.

It was the first Christmas that little Rudolph Jr. could really take part in because on the other two Christmases he had been too young fully to understand there was a Santa Claus. Now, being 3 years old, he knew what it was all about, because his mother and father, and also grandmother, had explained how he should hang up his stockings on the rocking chair, because there are no mantelpieces at 456 Second Avenue, and how Saint Nick would steal down the chimney and fill them up.

Rudolph's father, Rudolph Ludwig, a truck driver, and his mother had spent the evening before shopping. Ludwig stayed at home in the small, neat apartment on the fourth floor over a toy store; but he had noticed whispered consultations, and he had seen mother and father come in about his bedtime with mysterious bundles in their arms.

Unwrap Toys in Kitchen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig put Rudolph to bed, closed the door and went to the kitchen. The old brick tenement building with its loose window frames was cold. They stuffed papers in the cracks, and the gas stove in the centre of the room burned with a blue and yellow flame. Then they unwrapped their packages. A pair of warm woolly slippers, the size for a three-year-old, and a little plaid "lumberjack" shirt. Mr. Ludwig picked up a larger package, a train that ran by clockwork on tin tracks.

It was after midnight. Mrs. Ludwig decided to take a bath before retiring and turned on the tap in the tub. Her husband sat at the kitchen table reading a paper and smoking his pipe. The water trickled into the tub in an alcove off the kitchen. Christmas eve was dawning. The flame in the gas stove had turned to a dull blue, then to an almost invisible purple, but neither Mr. nor Mrs. Ludwig noticed it. They were so sleepy.

About 2 o'clock in the morning Mrs. Mary Sakel awoke in her apartment on the floor below. She listened. An elevated train roared past the window. Then she heard the steady trickling of water. It was dropping from her ceiling to the floor. Putting on a wrap and slippers, she hustled upstairs. She knocked, then banged on the door. Nobody answered, so she hurried downstairs to call a policeman.

Both Are Found on Floor.

Patrolmen Edward Melichor and Charles Flanagan of the East Twenty-second Street station came and forced the door. Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig had fallen to the floor. The gas flame was almost out, but when the windows were opened and more oxygen was wafted into the room it sprung to life again.

But despite fresh air and more than an hour's work with two pulmotors from the Consolidated Gas Company, life could not be restored to the two victims. The closed door between kitchen and bedroom saved little Rudolph from anything worse than temporary unconsciousness, from which he recovered a little later after he had been taken to Bellevue Hospital. He is spending "Christmas" with his grandmother at 416 East Sixteenth Street.

BAYONNE, N. J., Dec. 24 (AP).—William Urmanazicza, 55, was found asphyxiated in his jewelry workshop and living quarters at 250 Broadway today. Police said his death was accidental.

TWO KILLED BY GAS HEATER.

Brother and Sister Die When It Is Accidentally Extinguished.

Gas escaping from a heater, accidentally extinguished, caused the death yesterday of William Clifton, 25 years old, and his sister, Margaret, 32 years old, in the four-room apartment which they occupied with another brother, George, at 250 East Forty-third Street.

When George returned at 8 A. M. from his work his repeated knocks at the door brought no response. He returned to the street and climbed a rear fire escape. Through the window he saw his brother sitting in a kitchen chair, his head leaning on a table and a newspaper before him. The sister was found on her bedroom floor. Dr. Brickley of Bellevue Hospital pronounced both dead.

The Clifton's parents died a few months ago.

PURSUES SUBWAY TRAIN.

Epileptic Ties Up East Side Line 10 Minutes as Power Is Shut Off.

All traffic on the Lexington Avenue subway was stopped for ten minutes yesterday morning shortly before 10 o'clock while the tunnel was searched for a man who had leaped from the downtown platform of the Twenty-third Street station in pursuit of a train.

According to the police of the East Twenty-second Street Station, the man was James Poppiti, 20 years old, of 320 East 113th Street, who went downtown with a younger brother, Charles, to get a Christmas basket. Being subject to epilepsy, he was seized with an attack at the station, escorted to the platform by the conductor, and then, when the train started, jumped to the tracks in pursuit. The change agent telephoned to have the power shut off, and called Patrolman Graham of Traffic A who searched the tunnel as far as Eighteenth Street. The man apparently had left the tracks at that station. The boy, after explaining his brother's affliction, was allowed to go home.

Kavanaugh Cleared of Extortion.

Arraigned in Jefferson Market Court yesterday on charges of extorting $75 from Samuel Romella, owner of a store at 123 West Thirteenth Street, Stephen Kavanaugh, a Customs Inspector, of 403 East 153d Street, was dismissed, and John Greenford, a salesman, of 230 West Ninety-ninth Street, was held in $500 bail for a hearing in Special Sessions. The charge against Greenford was changed to attempted extortion. Kavanaugh, stationed at Rouse's Point, was here on a short vacation, it was brought out in court, and knew of nothing "unusual" when he accompanied Greenford to Romella's store last week.

DYING, SHE CRAVES GIFT OF WORD OF LOST SON

Mother Says Her 'Boy' Has Been Gone Since 1923—Two Little Girls Stopped in Runaway.

Two unusual episodes of the Christmas prologue yesterday were an appeal by a dying mother for aid in locating a missing son and the frustration of a Christmas runaway by two little girls with plenty of imagination.

Mrs. William Thornton of 357 West 118th Street is the mother whose appeal went out. She said that William J. Thornton, 19 years old, had been missing since December, 1923. She had brooded continually since then and she said yesterday that word of her "boy" would be the finest Christmas present she had ever received. Thornton has blue eyes, fair complexion, wavy golden hair, is about six feet tall and would weigh probably 190 pounds.

The two misses whose ambitious plans were upset were Mary Gircle, 9 years old, and Mary Unpechajar, 12 years old. A representative of the Travelers' Aid Society on duty in the Grand Central Terminal yesterday was approached by the girls. They explained that they were "step-sisters" and were on their way to spend Christmas with an "aunt in New Britain, Conn." They said that they had telephoned to the aunt about making arrangements to be met in New Britain, but that the connection had been so poor that they could not understand her. And would the Travelers' Aid Society take the matter in hand.

The agent discovered that the girls planned to get a train at 11 o'clock last night. She did some investigating and the trail led to the Unpechajar home at 342 East Forty-fifth Street, where a surprised father denied that the girls were anything but neighborhood playmates. He said that he planned to take his daughter to New Britain today, but evidently Mary was so anxious to get there that she had decided to get away in advance.

It developed that each girl had a gift for the aunt. One had a "tidy" for a rocking chair; the other had, with a more modern touch, a box of cigarettes.

POLICE SEEK STRANGER IN IOWA MURDER CASE

"Mr. Williams" Is Believed to Have Killed Council Bluffs Woman by Throttling Her.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Dec. 24 (AP).—A mysterious stranger was sought tonight in an effort to solve the death of Mrs. John Berard, 41, wife of the passenger agent of the Burlington Railroad here, whose body, with a shirt twisted around her neck, was found wedged between the furnace and wall in the basement of her home.

The mysterious stranger theory was introduced by Robert Moore, railroad fireman and roomer at the Berard home. Moore said as he left about 2:50 P. M. yesterday he noticed Mrs. Berard was in the parlor talking to a man whom she 'ntroduced as "Mr. Williams." Moore said he had never seen "Williams" before and did not know the subject of the conversation. The man, Moore said, was rather poorly dressed and appeared between 30 and 40 years old.

"When Mrs. Berard introduced him to me I though nothing of it and did not stop to talk," Moore told the police. "I thought he was probably some worker in the Seventh Day Adventist Church, of which Mrs. Berard was an active member."

Members of the Berard family could shed no light on the stranger's identity.

To support a theory of suicide is the recent nervous illness of Mrs. Berard. "She said once she wished she were dead," Mr. Berard said, "but her religious convictions were too deep to permit her to end her life. She thoroughly believed that a suicide could not enter Heaven."

The body was discovered by the husband when he came home from work yesterday afternoon. The house was in perfect order, Mr. Berard said. There were no bruises on the body, an examining physician said.

Mr. Berard advanced the theory that an assailant may have come to the house to answer a room-for-rent sign.

A daughter, Evelyn, 19, a student-nurse, said she had found evidence in the basement that the assailant had attempted to stuff the body into the furnace.

UNIFORM AS BANDIT'S LURE.

Pseudo Messenger and Accomplices Loot Jewelry Store of $30,000.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 24 (AP).—Two men, one disguised as a telegraph messenger, ransacked the jewelry store of Thomas J. Cassutt here today and escaped with loot valued at $30,000 after beating A. G. Cassutt, brother of the jeweler. The loot was deliberately selected from the stock and consisted largely of diamonds.

The store had not opened for the day. Attracted by the sight of a messenger in uniform at the door, A. G. Cassutt went to admit him and was confronted by another man with a pistol, who threatened to shoot him through the glass if he did not open.

One of the robbers kept Cassutt in the rear part of the store while his companion looted the showcases and vaults, coming back occasionally to inquire about the whereabouts of diamonds and money.

"Every time I lifted my head I was hit," Cassutt told the police.

CLASS TO START AT 6 A. M.

Special English Studies Offered at Mamaroneck High School.

Special to The New York Times.

MAMARONECK, N. Y., Dec. 24.—"Call me early, mother," when said by a high school student in Mamaroneck does not mean that the one speaking is to be honored at a May party, but it is a sign that the student is anxious to rise at 5 A. M. so as to attend the early morning classes in English which have been established at the Mamaroneck High School by Miss Anna M. Nolan.

While attendance at the class is not compulsory, there is a large enrolment among students who wish to make a more comprehensive study of English than is offered in the regular school program or who wish to study for the State Regents' examinations in January. The new class will meet from 6 to 8 A. M. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday after the holidays.

WEDS; BACK TO HOSPITAL.

American Actress Almost Collapses at Altar in London.

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LONDON, Dec. 24.—After having come from a hospital for her wedding, Juliette Compton, an American actress, today almost collapsed at the altar in the church here during the ceremony. She had been ill for weeks.

The bridegroom is James Bartram. At the conclusion of the ceremony the bride was taken back to the hospital.

THOMAS F. MANVILLE AND WIFE SEPARATE

'Not Responsible for Debts or Actions,' He Says in an Advertisement.

COURT ACTION TO FOLLOW

Son of Late Head of Asbestos Firm Wed Stenographer in 1925 After Former Actress Divorced Him.

Thomas Franklyn Manville Jr., son of the late asbestos manufacturer, inserted a notice in newspapers to appear on Christmas morning that he was "not responsible in any way for debts or actions" of his wife, Mrs. Lois A. Manville, a former stenographer, whom he married Oct. 1, 1925, at the Municipal Building.

Mr. Manville, who was divorced in 1922, after eleven years of marriage, by his first wife, Florence Huber, a Follies chorus girl, with whom he had eloped after two days' acquaintance, said last night at his apartment at 128 Central Park South that he and his present wife had been separated six weeks and that her conduct since that time had necessitated the notice.

The advertisement read:

Having left my bed and board on or about Nov. 24, I hereby notify the public that on and after Nov. 24 I am not responsible in any way for debts or actions of any nature incurred by Mrs. T. F. Manville Jr. (Mrs. Lois A. Manville).

The separation was an "amicable" one, said Mr. Manville, and would be followed soon by a suit for divorce or a separation decree, he had not yet decided which, on the ground of desertion. It was on this plea that his first wife obtained her divorce.

Mrs. Manville, when reached at the Hotel Weylin, 40 East Fifty-fourth Street, said she had "nothing to say."

Mr. Manville, who gives his occupation as "looking after my estate"—the elder Manville died Oct. 19, 1925, leaving most of $23,000,000 to his son and daughter, Lorraine, wife of Jay Gould—has had a career fraught with publicity ever since he ran away from boarding school in 1910 and was finally located by his father in Boise City, Idaho, with only $10 in his pocket.

At that time he was 16 years old. He returned East and next year met Miss Huber at a party here, marrying her two days later, with a Magistrate officiating. They went to Maryland, deeming a second ceremony advisable, but were refused. Finally they obtained it in New Jersey.

His father, highly displeased with young Manville's venture, told him he was disinherited. The youth had worked as clerk, bellboy and baggage handler upon quitting school, and now he turned to the job of chauffeur. William S. Cooney, broker, of Wall Street, hired him in this capacity without suspecting he was the son of a wealthy man.

The difficulties with his family were pitched up, but broke out anew until, according to report, Mr. Manville Sr. had disinherited and reinstated his son six times. Shortly before his marriage to his present wife, whose name was Miss Lois McCoin, formerly of Lawrence, Kan., reports were published of his engagement to Cynthia Cambridge, another Follies girl.

Mrs. Manville Sr., who lives at the Plaza, spent last evening with her son at his apartment. Mr. Manville expressed the hope that his wife would "not be calling up and bothering us."

$100,000,000 Spent in Chicago Christmas.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP).—Christmas shopping in Chicago was estimated today by prominent merchants as in excess of $100,000,000.

WOMAN PRESENTS $50 TO SICK MRS. GIBSON

Simpson Says Socially Prominent Donor Admires Pluck of Hall-Mills Witness.

Mrs. Jane Gibson, the State's star witness in the Hall-Mills trial, is the richer today by five ten-dollar gold pieces, a Christmas gift to her, according to Senator Alexander Simpson, from a wealthy and socially prominent New York woman.

Senator Simpson said yesterday afternoon that in the morning a liveried chauffeur appeared in his Jersey City office and presented to him the money and a card, the name on which he refused to disclose. The chauffeur asked him if he would descend to the street to meet this New York woman, who was averse to leaving her car.

The Senator descended. Drawn up at the curb, he said was a "luxurious limousine of foreign manufacture" and in it the woman who remembered Mrs. Gibson's Christmas.

"I want Mrs. Gibson to have this Christmas gift," she told him, "because I admire her pluck. I want her to know there are many persons who admire her."

Senator Simpson asked if she would not identify herself with the gift, but she refused, quite graciously but firmly.

"Oh, no. I couldn't," she said. "I don't want the cheap notoriety. I want Mrs. Gibson to have the money to do with as she pleases. It was very plucky of her to go to Somerville and testify at the trial when she was so sick."

The woman declared she was a communicant at St. Thomas's Church, the Senator said.

The money was sent to the City Hospital, where Mrs. Gibson expressed her appreciation of it last night. She had received several callers during the day, among them Police Inspector John J. Underwood, who was active in the Hall-Mills inquiry.

Mrs. Gibson's three-year-old daughter June is remaining with her mother in the hospital, though quite recovered from illness. She received numerous gifts last night from persons in the hospital and from visitors.

CLAIMS BODY OF SUICIDE.

Ex-Fiance Named in Note Left by Mrs. Vivian Minor at Hotel.

The body of Mrs. Vivian Minor, who committed suicide Wednesday by swallowing poison in her room at the Hotel Martha Washington, was claimed yesterday at the Bellevue Morgue by William J. Wilgus Jr. of 23 West Eighth Street.

Wilgus is the son of Col. William J. Wilgus of Osentney, Vt., a noted engineer, whose greatest work was done in the erection of Grand Central Terminal. One of the notes left by Mrs. Minor mentioned Wilgus. It later developed that they had been engaged but the postponement and final breaking off of relations had made Mrs. Minor despondent.

Mrs. Minor, who was known to the hotel management only as "V. Minor," was the divorced wife of an army officer and had been acquainted with Wilgus a few months. Her maiden name had been Vivian Baldwin, and she had lived a few years at her birthplace, San Francisco, before removing to Salt Lake City, and then to New York.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 24 (AP).—Mrs. Vivian Minor was a niece of B. F. Grant, general manager of The Deseret News, and Heber J. Grant, President of the Church of Latter Day Saints (Mormon). Mr. Grant said tonight that he had not seen or heard from the young woman for about ten years.

THREE CHILDREN DIE IN AUTO ACCIDENTS

One Boy Was on His Way to Buy a Christmas Toy—Girl, 4, Is Seriously Hurt.

WOMAN IS KILLED BY TRAIN

Her Daughter, With Her on Milk Truck, Is Badly Injured—Crash Near Atlantic City Fatal.

Three children were killed by automobiles yesterday in Jersey City and East Orange. Another was seriously hurt.

Desmond Kenney, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kenney of 94 Ocean Avenue, Jersey City, received 75 cents from his mother yesterday morning to go to a near-by store and buy a toy fire engine, the one toy on which he had set his heart, to be added to others about the family tree. As he stepped into the street a truck bowled him over. The child was dead when an ambulance surgeon arrived.

The driver of the truck, Michael Albana of 101 Madison Street, Manhattan, was arrested on a technical charge of manslaughter.

Anna Boyle, 4 years old, of 371 Bramhall Avenue, Jersey City, was taken to the city hospital there yesterday after a truck driven by James Barba, 174 Danforth Avenue, Jersey City, had struck her at Communipaw and Pacific Avenues. Her skull was broken and it was believed she had internal injuries. The driver was released under $1,000 bail, charged with assault.

In East Orange two children were struck within the space of five minutes on streets not far apart. Helen Gilhooley, 7, of 322 Amherst Street, was run down by a truck driven by Ralph Clark in Halstead Street. Charles Beck, 10, of 63 North Walnut Street, was struck by an automobile driven by John K. Brown. Both children died in Homeopathic Hospital.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 24 (AP).—Mrs. Anna Ackerle, unaware of the approach of a train because of deafness, drove her milk delivery truck in the path of a Reading passenger train in Blackwood, near here, today, and was killed. Her 11-year-old daughter, riding with her, was seriously injured.

Special to The New York Times.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Adeline Melvin, 64 years old, of Mays Landing, was instantly killed on the Harding Highway tonight when an automobile in which she was riding and which was driven by her son, John, crashed into the rear of a Standard Oil Company truck which was said to have been parked at the side of the road with no tail lights showing.

John Melvin, who brought his mother here for medical treatment, not knowing she was dead, was held in $500 bail by Magistrate Stephens of Pleasantville on a technical charge of manslaughter. Roland Peters, driver of the truck, was held in $1,000 bail pending an inquest by a Coroner's Jury.

Melvin said he and his mother were on their way to Pleasantville to buy some last-minute Christmas gifts when he was blinded by the lights of an approaching motor car. He said he swerved his car to the side of the road and ran into the truck.

Woman Killed by Horse and Wagon.

Mrs. Johanna Moscowitz, 60 years old, of 12 West 120th Street, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon at the corner of Fifth Avenue and 119th Street when she was run over by a horse and wagon. Abraham Dropsky, 28 years old, of 524 East 120th Street, the driver, was arrested on a technical charge of homicide.

In all the coinage of days since the world began

NO DAY EVER EQUALED
THE BIRTHDAY OF MARY'S SON
IN THE STABLE OF THE
LITTLE INN AT BETHLEHEM

For thousands of years the expectant world waited for the Christmas that came with its wonderful gift over which the angels sang *"Peace on earth, good will to men."*

Christmas is a Man born—not a sentiment.

To get right with Christmas would make men right with one another, nation with nation, and put together again aright this old world.

Let us pay real tribute to Christmas!

[Signed] John Wanamaker

JOYS OF CHRISTMAS ENTER NEEDY HOMES

Distress of Many Families Is Relieved and Help Is Going to Many More.

DELAYED TRAIN AIDS FUND

Passengers on 20th Century Limited Make Up a Pool of $202 in Rebates.

TOTAL IN HAND IS $251,571

This Is About $9,000 Below Last Year's Complete Fund—3 $1,000 Gifts Sent Anonymously.

The fund for the Neediest Cases passed the quarter-of-a-million mark yesterday. Contributions of $22,481.94 increased the total to $251,571.81.

This total exceeds by approximately $7,000 the total received on the same day of the appeal last year. The fund still is about $9,000 less than last year's grand total of $260,998.26.

Three anonymous contributions of $1,000 each were received yesterday. Contributions of $500 were made by Mrs. Boyce Thompson Schulze, Stephen J. Leonard, Mary J. George and Mrs. L. G. Gardner. An anonymous gift of $300 also was received.

The composing room staff of THE NEW YORK TIMES made a contribution of $310. The Central Church of the Disciples of Christ gave $375. Other large contributors were "Passengers of the Twentieth Century Limited," $302.40; Mrs. George D. Melliver, $250; "In Memory of Adelaide," $250; "In Memory of Dora Wendell Kirchwey," $200; "Anonymous," $350.50; Mrs. J. B. Sanford, $200; "Holiday Greetings," $200; the Krech family, $150.

Contributors of $100 included Thomas W. Lamont, Louis B. Gallagher, Inc.; Charlotte E. Smith, Paramount Pep Club, Nathan Hale Lodge, 1006, F. and A. M.; G. H. Becker, Gordon Grand, Frederick N. Darburg, William A. Smith, Mrs. Charles Stewart Smith Jr., George M. Sidenberg Jr., Alexander Grossett, Mrs. Louis Demuth, Norman and Campbell McNab, Jessie Booth Merrill, "In Memory of Charlotte J. Harrick," W. T. Graham, A. Hollander & Son, Mrs. L. R. Hardenbergh, Hamilton Burgoyne, A. W. Milburn, Lawrence Bennett, William B. Warner and Charles C. Batchelder.

Delayed Train Aids Neediest.

The contribution of $202.40 by the passengers of the Twentieth Century Limited was composed mainly of the rebates due to sixty-two passengers because of the failure of the train to arrive on time at the Grand Central Station.

Aaron Pareira, President of the Reliance Paper Company of Marinette, Wis., was reading of the Neediest Cases in the smoking room of the train when word came that the train would be more than an hour late and that each passenger would have a rebate of $2.40.

"Why not turn that over to the Neediest Cases?" asked Mr. Pareira. The other men in the smoking room agreed with him. An informal committee was formed of Mr. Pareira, W. C. Lyon of Bloomfield, N. J.; Arthur I. Reed of Chicago, M. F. Herbst of Newark and Cornelius N. Smith of New Rochelle. They drew up a statement which read: "I hereby authorize the conductor to collect my rebate which will be due me and turn it over to THE NEW YORK TIMES Christmas Charity Fund. This was passed through the train and signed by sixty-two passengers.

Then the passengers eagerly clocked the train, because it was an open question whether the rebate would be $2.40 or $4.80. It would have been the larger figure if the train had been two hours or more late. It arrived, however, one hour and fifty-seven minutes behind time. The paper with the signatures of the passengers was honored at the New York Central offices when presented by the conductor. Several additional contributions were made by passengers, so that the fund eventually contributed was $202.40.

Contributions in memory of dear ones yesterday numbered 122.

Messages With Gifts.

The following are passages from letters which accompanied contributions:

David M. Bressler—I am pleased to enclose my mite in appreciation of the great service you are rendering in the cause of a public enlightened humanity. The example you have been setting these many years in educating our citizenry to a better realization of their responsibilities toward those less fortunately circumstanced constitutes a splendid chapter in the education and development of the community conscience. For this you are entitled to the gratitude of all right-thinking men and women.

Two Sisters—Thank you for giving us again the opportunity to help through this beautiful charity. All the cases are very appealing, but I think the one that has perhaps pulled at our heartstrings most is Case 274. I hope the enclosed check for $10 may in some small measure help to relieve their distress and bring to them some Christmas cheer and happiness. With best Christmas wishes and the hope that every one of the three hundred cases and many more will be relieved.

A. Hollander & Son, Inc.—It is an annual pleasure for us to have the privilege of forwarding you our check enclosed in the sum of $100 toward the work your organization is carrying on to bring Christmas cheer to the needy.

Rita Goldberger—Enclosed find a small contribution for Case 205. This work is the most wonderful ever. May success reward your efforts.

Anonymous—All the cases are equally pathetic. It is hard to select one above another. Trusting you will far exceed last year's quota in this most worthy Christmas charity.

Help From Lake Placid.

Agnes Nicholas, Secretary—Our Epworth League at Lake Placid wants to lend a helping hand in this wonderful work and so may this $20 help some one. We hope you have great success and next year we hope to help again.

Marjorie and Allan Sachs—We are sending in this envelope $20 and we would like you to give it to the family that needs it most. Instead of exchanging presents with friends, we saved the money for the Hundred Neediest Cases. Our names are Marjorie and Allan and we are 9 and 5 years old.

Alexander Milne—Class 7A of Public School 87, Manhattan, takes pleasure in contributing $6.10 to this worthy fund.

Bernard S. Klayf—I wanted to send all the dimes I saved since I emptied my bank last year, but mother said it would be better to change those dimes into a check. I hope it reaches you very soon. I would like you to help the poor sick boy, Case 261, whose mother died and father went away. I am 5 years old. I am going to start saving right away to try to send more next year.

Alfred E. Kornfeld—I am glad to assist you in this very commendable work. Enclosed please find $50, $20 for Case 30 and $30 for the general fund. May you speedily reach your goal.

J. K. A.—I enclose a check to be used for Case No. 261 or otherwise, as you see fit. I want to congratulate you on the splendid work you are doing in helping to bring a little happiness to those who are unfortunate.

Mrs. E. H. Brown, Centreville, Md.—Like another of your contributors, the Hundred Neediest Cases wring my heart, and, while trying to do at home, I must get in on the wonderful work you are doing at Christmas time.

Reuben B. Shemitz—Enclosed herewith you will please find check of the Brooklyn Consistory, 75, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in the sum of $50. This check has been donated by the order of the trustees of the above organization, and it is requested that the same be placed in the fund for the neediest cases.

Normand Campbell McNab—Will you please give the enclosed check for $100 to Case 261. In case the quota for 261 is filled please give the money to some other child suffering from infantile paralysis. The reason I am so interested in Case 261 is because, having had infantile paralysis myself and completely recovering, I am sympathetic and sorry for those less fortunate than myself.

Sympathy for the Distressed.

William A. Smith, Chicago—I am enclosing my personal check for $100 to apply as you see fit to any of the neediest cases. It is difficult to understand how any one could read the first page of your second section without feeling the urge to contribute any sum of money they were capable of giving. It is wonderful and I congratulate you.

J. A. C.—Enclosed find check for $5, which please place to the credit of your Hundred Neediest Cases Fund. Trust it may add something, a little aid to one who needs cheering.

Henry W. Whipple—Enclosed find small check for $10, donation for the Hundred Neediest Cases. I have watched with pleasure the growth of this fund and feel that THE TIMES is doing great good in taking care of the cases each year. I wish you the very best of success.

Frances A. Holt—I am enclosing herewith my check for $5 to be applied to the fund for the neediest cases, with the season's greetings and best wishes for the success of this very worthy charity.

Mrs. Charles Stewart Smith—I take pleasure in sending check for $100 for the neediest cases. You are doing a fine work in bringing before your readers the needs of the worthy poor, who should be our first thought at this season.

Henry Sasch—It has been the custom of the Architectural Bowling League of New York in the past to make a donation each Christmas to some worthy fund or other for the benefit of those in need. In conformity with this policy I take pleasure in handing you the enclosed check for $25. The Board of Directors of this organization unanimously agree that you are doing fine work and heartily wish you much success.

A Friend—I am again taking advantage of the offer you make in aiding the more fortunate ones to give a little of true Christmas cheer to those less fortunate souls who are in constant dread of family separation.

Students Send Contribution.

U. R. Laves, Abilene, Texas—Enclosed find my check for $10, which I would be pleased to have you use where it will do the most good.

Gertrude C. Barbour—I am enclosing a check for $40.50 as a Christmas gift from the students of Montclair Academy. They are interested in Case 10 and would like very much to have the money given to that case.

Elizabeth K. Seeley—Would appreciate it if you will apply my contribution to Cases 209 and 223, as both cases have impressed me very much. Wishing the fund success so that as many cases as possible may be taken care of.

Sherman and Dick—Two happy boys with kind parents send this tiny bit of help joyfully and hope that Santa Claus will be good to the little orphan boys.

Billy and Norman de Windt—My brother and I wish to deposit $5 for Case 261 of the small boy. We have just come home from school in Canada and have just seen of the case.

A Mother of Three—Enclosed you will find $5, subscription toward the Hundred Neediest Cases. I would like to help Florence, the widowed mother of five children, Case 299.

Mildred Endel—I am enclosing $5 to be used wherever it will be most useful in bringing a little happiness to some one. With every wish that the Hundred Neediest Cases fund will continue to grow from year to year.

Mrs. J. H. Hess, Callicoon, N. Y.—Enclosed find a money order for $5. Kindly use it for one of the Hundred Neediest, some aged person or a couple who need help.

Larry Levy—Enclosed find $2 for Case 83, which I earned by keeping my room tidy. I'm sorry it's not more, but I'm only 9 years old and couldn't earn any more money.

George M. Brydon, U. S. S. Trenton—From a sailor because he thinks New York the most wonderful of cities.

Children Give Liberally.

Robert Noble, Columbus, Ga.—I am enclosing a check for $5 for your fund. One cannot read THE TIMES accounts of the poverty and distress without feeling deep pain.

Rafael Ferrer—It gives me pleasure to enclose the contribution of my small children, José Vincente, Elvira and Leticia, who hurry to collaborate in this beautiful undertaking in behalf of the poor. This work deserves the highest commendation and makes my children happy that they can lend a helping hand.

P. Katherine Smith—Enclosed you will find my check for $5. I wish I might make it $5,000. I think the old appeal to me more, if possible, because almost every one will do for children. It seems as though the road should be made pleasant for the worn and tired feet.

Frederick Porter—I am a boy 9 years old and I would like Case 261 to receive a dollar of my Christmas money. I am giving to this case because the boy is just my age and I hope he stays in his happy home. I am sorry I cannot give more.

M. G. Darrah—I am glad to contribute the very small amount enclosed toward the Hundred Neediest Cases fund in which you are interested. It is certainly a wonderful work and I only wish that my check might be larger. I would be glad to have you apply it wherever you think it most needed.

Checks should be made payable to the "Hundred Neediest Cases Fund." Contributions may be sent to The New York Times, Times Square, New York City, or to the following organizations, which present the cases:

The NEW YORK ASSOCIATION FOR IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF THE POOR, 105 East Twenty-second Street.

The CHARITY ORGANIZATION SOCIETY, 105 East Twenty-second Street.

The STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION, 105 East Twenty-second Street.

The BROOKLYN BUREAU OF CHARITIES, 69 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn.

The FEDERATION FOR THE SUPPORT OF JEWISH PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETIES, 114 Fifth Avenue.

The CATHOLIC CHARITIES, 477 Madison Avenue.

Contributions may also be left at any of the following offices of THE NEW YORK TIMES:

Times Building.....Times Square
Times Building.....Subway Level
Downtown.....17 Beekman St.
Wall St.....165 Broadway
Harlem.....137 West 125th St.
Brooklyn.....300 Washington St.

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Contributions to the Neediest Cases are exempt from the Federal and State income tax.

The six charity organizations which administer the Hundred Neediest Cases do so free of cost. There is no deduction of any kind, administrative or executive. Every dollar goes to the Neediest.

The growth of the response to the appeal for the Neediest Cases from year to year is shown as follows:

1912	$3,630.88
1913	9,946.36
1914	15,032.46
1915	31,819.92
1916	55,792.45
1917	62,103.47
1918	81,097.57
1919	106,967.14
1920	111,126.00
1921	125,011.10
1922	157,421.08
1923	177,683.67
1924	233,524.89
1925	260,998.26

PARIS CHRISTMAS LEANER.

Foreign Money Buys Fewer Francs and Prices Are Higher.

PARIS, Dec. 24 (AP).—Christmas shoppers have discovered that foreign money will not stretch nearly as far here as it did last Summer. Dollars, pounds, pesetas and marks buy less than half as many francs as they did a few months ago. Furthermore, the francs buy less, because the cost of living in France has increased.

As a result, more Americans are seen riding in buses and fewer in taxicabs, and they dine in cheaper restaurants and drink ordinary wines, instead of opening vintage bottles. Nevertheless, Winter resorts in the Alps and the Riviera predict a big season because Winter tourists have more money than the Summer variety.

PLAN MEXICO CHURCH STUDY

Federal Council of Churches Picks Committee to Report on Situation.

A special committee to study the Church situation in Mexico and report to the Administrative Committee of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America was appointed yesterday at its regular meeting at 105 East Twenty-second Street. On the report will depend the issuance of a statement by the council on its attitude. The committee includes Professor William Adams Brown, Chairman; Frank Mason North, Alfred W. Anthony, Samuel G. Inman, Charles E. Burton, Secretary Sidney L. Gulick of the International Justice and Good-Will Committee and F. Ernst Johnson of the Research Department.

The meeting authorized the Research Department to publish in Information Service, the council's paper, a statement as to the moral issues in the settlement of the World War debt. It was agreed to withhold any pronouncement of policy on the subject pending the publication. A report on the study of the debt situation was made by Dr. John S. MacFarland, General Secretary.

Dr. John A. Marquis, Chairman of the Administrative Committee, presided. The meeting was attended by about thirty persons. The next session will be Jan. 28.

Falls in Subway, Killed by Train.

Falling from the southbound platform of the Worth Street station of the Lexington Avenue subway line about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, a man identified by papers in his pocket as John Westerman, 45 years old, of 1,763 Hendrickson Street, Brooklyn, was crushed to death between the train and the edge of the platform. The motorman, Adam Reder, had just started his train from the station when he heard a scream and, stopping instantly, found Westerman's body. Traffic was tied up on the south bound local line for about ten minutes.

Christmas Gifts Send Fund for the Neediest Near Final Total for Last Year; Generous Response to Appeal Is Lifting Burdens from Many Distressed Homes

Received yesterday—1,393 contributors	$ 22,481.94
Previously acknowledged—9,844 contributors	229,089.87
Total—11,237 contributors	$251,571.81

1925—Same number of days—from 10,820 contributors, $243,855.94

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A. S.	5
A. Y. R.	5
Abrams, William	2
Abramse, E.	5
Agar, Dorothea	10
Allen, A. L.	2
Anderson, Axel G. and Florence E.	10
Anderson, Maude S.	10
Andrews, H. E.	10
Architectural Bowling League of New York	25
Aronow, Gustava I.	10
Aronson, Stella	10
Asendorf, H.	5
Atkinson, Mrs. J. T.	2
Avchu, Aivah G	5
Avedon, William C.	25
A Deserted Wife and Mother	5
A Father of Nine Children	5
A Friend	10
A Friend	1
A Friend	10
A Friend	10
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A Friend	5
A Friend	15
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FINANCIAL MARKETS

Stocks Advance Briskly in Pre-Holiday Trading—France Enters Exchange Market.

Some of the Christmas cheer which has been so evident in Wall Street for a week or more bubbled over in the stock market yesterday and prices at the close of the day, when Wall Street closed its doors until Monday morning, were measurably higher. There was little in the news of the day to account for the rather vigorous upturn. Some of it, no doubt a lot of the buying, was nothing more nor less than short covering. There was no evidence at all that the outside public was any more keenly interested in the market than it had been all week. Nevertheless, even under this professional guidance the turnover was a very respectable one in point of size, amounting, in fact, to more than 1,250,000 shares. High-priced investment stocks seemed to be in the best demand, but there was also a stirring of activity in the motor group, in a few of the best class of railroad shares and in any number of the specialty stocks.

Although call money renewed at 6 per cent., a rate which has only been duplicated one other time this year, there was no disposition in the market or in banking circles to become alarmed at this high figure. Rather it was considered an omen of prosperity since it represents nothing more nor less than the assembling of funds to meet what will probably be the largest year-end disbursements ever made. Many of these payments will be extra cash dividends, reflecting an extremely prosperous year in a widely varied number of important and basic industrial lines. Under such circumstances such a temporarily high rate is fully understood in Wall Street and holds no terrors for the market at all since it is admittedly a temporary situation.

The developments in the foreign exchange market as to the franc were of particular interest, although they were not construed here as amounting to stabilization or "pegging" of the franc. The Poincaré Government has merely taken command of the situation in the foreign exchange market for its own protection, and appears to be willing to buy or sell in order that a stable market be maintained at a price between 121 and 123 to the pound and 25 to 25½ to the dollar, or approximately 4 cents. International bankers here do not jump to the conclusion by any means that 4 cents for the franc will eventually become the "revaluation price." This, it is well understood, has not yet been fixed. What appears to have happened is that a firm governmental hand was needed to control a currency which threatened a too violent advance, with consequent drastic deflation in prices. At the same time, this step is a gesture of warning to the speculators who no doubt have played a big part in the sudden and dramatic appreciation which the franc has had. In other words, in the parlance of the Street, the French Government has decided to "protect its own market," and to insure the franc's temporary stability.

The trade reviews yesterday took a cheerful view of the business situation, especially since it has been given great impetus by holiday retail trade. Dun's Review remarked that "the Christmas trade has probably been the largest in the aggregate on record," and draws the conclusion from this that "public purchasing power is at a very high level." Bradstreet's was able to see some spotty conditions here and there throughout the country, remarking that "some centres report the best trade ever done, while others express disappointment at the volume of business." Emphasis is laid on the fact by these surveyors of business that one of the best features of the present situation is that stocks in most lines are comparatively light, because it necessitates frequent placing of filling-in orders. Summed up, it may be said that the attitude of these reviews toward business is one of conservative optimism.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1926.

Day's Sales.	Thursday.	Wednesday.	A Year Ago.	Two Years Ago.
1,445,459	1,532,976	1,402,981	Holiday	1,454,877

Year to Date.	Same Period 1925.	1924.	1923.	1922.
440,903,016	444,003,948	275,776,754	235,936,226	256,833,273

1926 High.	1926 Low.	Sales.	Stock and Dividend Rate	First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.	Closing Bid.	Closing Ask.
63¼	43	500	Abraham & Straus	62¾	62¾	62¼	62¼	+ ¼	62¼	63
22	8	100	Advance Rumely	10	10	9¾	9¾	- ¼	9¾	10¾
65¾	28¾	600	Advance Rumely pf	33½	33¾	33½	33½		33	34
146¾	107¼	300	Air Reduction (16)	141½	142	141½	142	+ ¾	142	144
16	7¾	2,700	Ajax Rubber	9¾	9¾	9¼	9¼		9¼	9¾
2	1	200	Alaska Juneau	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾		1¾	1¾
148¾	106	23,100	Allied Chem. & Dye (4)	144¾	145¾	143¾	143¾	- ¾	143¾	144
94½	78¼	300	Allis-Chalmers Mfg. (6)	110	110	110	110		109¼	111¼
111½	105	100	Allis-Chalmers pf. (7) x d.	90¼	90¼	90¼	90¼	- 1¼	89¾	90¾
32¾	24¼	1,000	Amerada Corp. (2)	31¾	31¾	31¾	31¾	- ¼	31¾	32
34¾	9	400	Am. Agri. Chemical	13¼	13½	13¼	13¼		13¼	13¾
96½	35¾	600	Am. Agri. Chemical pf	48¾	48¾	48	48¼	- ¼	48	49
58½	55	200	Am. Bank Note pf. (3)	56½	56½	56¼	56¼	- ¼	55¼	56¼
34½	16	600	Am. Bosch Magneto	16¾	16¾	16½	16½	- ¼	16½	17
63¾	38¾	500	Am. Brown Boveri El. (2)	39	39	38¾	38¾	- ¼	38¾	39
114¾	91¼	11,500	Am. Can (2)	52¾	53¼	52¼	52¾	+ ¼	52¾	52¾
130	120¼	600	Am. Car & Foundry (6)	101	101½	101	101¼		101¼	102
26¾	23¾	100	Am. Car & Fdy. pf. (7)	129¾	129¾	129¾	129¾	+ ¾	128¾	130
10¾	4¾	100	Am. Chain, Cl. A (2)	25	25	25	25		25	25¼
140	105¾	500	Am. Drug. Syndicate	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾		9¾	9¾
42¾	14¼	1,000	Am. Express (6)	131	132¾	131	132¾	+ 3¼	131	132
17½	7	5,000	Am. & Foreign Power	20¾	20¾	20¼	20¼	+ ¼	20	20¼
67¾	33½	500	Am. Hide & Leather	9	9	9	9		9	9¼
29¾	23¾	400	Am. Hide & Leather pf	52	52¾	52	52¾	+ ¾	52½	52¾
46¾	21¾	300	Am. Home Products (2.40)	39¾	39¾	39	39	- ½	39	39¼
15¾	10¾	200	Am. International	11	11	10¾	10¾		10¾	10¾
52¾	25¾	1,100	Am. La F. Fire Eng. (1)	31	31¼	31	31		31	32
57	47¾	500	Am. Linseed	70	70	70	70		70	73
119¾	90¼	100	Am. Linseed pf. (7)	109¾	109¾	106½	109¾	+ 3	109¾	109¾
80¾	65¾	500	Am. Locomotive	73¾	74¼	73½	73½	+ ¼	73¼	74
67¾	42¾	1,500	Am. Mach. & Fdy	42¾	42¾	42¼	42¼		42	45¼
72½	50¾	800	Am. Metal (4)	61¾	62¾	61¾	62	+ ¼	62	63¼
122¾	101¼	1,100	Am. Power & Light (11)	42¾	42¾	42¼	42¼		42¼	43
74	39¾	2,300	Am. Radiator (5)	110¾	112¾	110¾	112¼	+ 1¾	112¼	112½
152	109¾	100	Am. Republics	44¾	44¾	44¼	44¼		40	45
122¾	112¾	26,900	Am. Smelt. & Ref. (8)	146¾	148¾	146¾	147¾		147¼	147¾
47	40	100	Am. Smelt. & Ref. pf. (7)	121¾	121¾	121¼	121¼		121	122
87¾	65¼	300	Am. Steel Foundries (3)	44¼	44¾	44¼	44¼	+ ¼	44¼	45
44	29¾	200	Am. Sugar Ref. (5)	82¾	82¾	82¼	82¼		82¼	82¾
41½	25¾	900	Am. Sumatra Tobacco	42¾	42¾	42¼	42¼		42¼	43
151	139¾	100	Am. Tel. & Cable (5)	27¼	27¼	27¼	27¼	- ¼	27	28¼
124¾	111¾	800	Am. Tel. & Tel. (9)	149¼	149¼	148¾	149¼	+ ¼	149	149¼
124	110¼	200	Am. Tobacco (8)	121¾	122	121¾	122		122	122½
113	106¼	700	Am. Tobacco, Cl. B (8)	120¾	121¾	120¼	121¾	+ ¾	121¾	121¾
74	43¾	200	Am. Tobacco pf. (6)	110¾	110¾	110¾	110¾		110	110¾
42¾	19	1,500	Am. Wa. Wk. & El. (c1.20)	63¾	63¾	63	63	- ¾	62¾	63
90¾	66	300	Am. Woolen	33¾	33¾	33¼	33¼	- ¼	33	34
5¾	½	300	Am. Woolen pf. (7)	87	87	87	87		87	88¼
51¾	41¾	800	Anaconda Copper (3)	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼		1¼	1¾
44¾	34¾	300	Archer, Dan. Midland (3)	49¾	49¾	49	49	- ¼	49¼	49¾
97¾	90¼	100	Armour & Co. of Del. (7)	41	41	41	41		41	46
25¾	13¾	600	Armour & Co. of Ill., A	92¾	92¾	92¾	92¾	- ¼	92¼	92¾
17	5¾	1,000	Armour & Co. of Ill., B	15¾	15¾	15½	15½	- ¼	15½	15¾
63¼	46¾	500	Artloom (3)	85	85	85	85		84½	85
113	108	100	Artloom pf. (7)	56¾	56¾	56	56	- ¾	55¾	56¼
54¾	37¼	3,900	Asso. Dry Goods (2½)	113	113	113	113		112	114
172	122	25,700	Atch., Top. & S. Fe (7)	43¾	43¾	42	42¼	- ¾	42¾	43
101¾	94½	100	Atch., Top. & S. Fe pf.(5)	172	172	170	170¾	+ ¾	170	171
10	2	1,100	Atlanta, Birm. & Atlantic	101¾	101¾	101¾	101¾		101¼	102
26¾	18¼	1,500	Atlantic Coast Line (10)	51	51	51	51			
68¾	29	800	Atlantic, Gulf & West In.	209¾	209¾	206¾	208¾	+ ¾	208	209
126¾	97	2,700	Atlantic Refining	40¾	41¾	40¾	41¾	+ ¾	41	41½
116¾	115¾	600	Atlantic Refining pf. (7)	116¾	116¾	116	116		116	116¼
167¾	92¾	16,000	Baldwin Locomotive (7)	116¾	116¾	116¼	116¾	+ ¼	116¼	116¾
109¾	83½	2,800	Baltimore & Ohio (16½)	166	167¾	166	166¾	+ 1½	166¼	167
73¾	67¾	100	Balt. & Ohio pf. (4)	108	108	107¾	107¾		107	108
46	33½	100	Bangor & Aroostook (3)	73¼	73¼	73½	73½			
29½	22¼	600	Barnsdall, Cl. A (2)	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¾		44¾	45¼
71¾	39	100	Barnsdall, Cl. B (2)	27¼	27¼	27¼	27¼		27¼	27¾
39¾	27¾	400	Bayuk Cigars	25¼	25¼	25¼	25¼	- ¼	25	25¼
105¾	99	100	Beech-nut Pack. (13) x d	52¾	53¼	52¾	53¼	+ ¼	53	53¼
56¾	55¼	400	Belding-Heminway (3)	59¼	59¼	59¼	59¼	- ¼	59¼	59¾
94¾	50	3,400	Bethlehem Steel	27¼	27¼	27¼	27¼	- ¼	27¼	27¾
114¾	11	200	Bethlehem Steel pf. (7)	48	48	48	48		48	48¼
95¾	79	1,100	Bon Ami, A	105	105	105	105		105	106
113	105¼	300	Booth Fisheries	56	56	55¼	55¾	- ¼	55¾	56
173¼	122½	2,100	Briggs Manufacturing (3)	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾		7¾	8
122¼	113¾	100	British Empire St'l 2d pf.	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾	+ ¾	29¾	30
105	98¼	1,400	B'klyn Edis. Elec. (8)	2	2	2	2		1¾	2
56¾	51	4,000	B'klyn-Man. Tran. (4)	152¾	156	152¾	155¾	+ 3¼	155	155¾
33¾	26¾	600	B'klyn-Man. Tr. pf. (6)	74¾	74¾	74	74	+ ¼	73¾	74¼
93¾	60¼	600	B'klyn Union Gas (11)	89½	89½	89¼	89¾	+ ¼	89¼	89¾
111¾	100	100	Brown Shoe (2)	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾		93¾	94
113	102¼	500	Bruns.-Balke-Collender	34½	34¾	34½	34½	- ¼	34¼	34¾
105	98¼	100	B., R. & Pitts. pf. (6)	36	36¼	36	36	+ ¼	36	36¾
56¾	51	100	Buffalo & Susquehanna	101	101	101	101	+ ½	100	101
33¾	26¾	100	Burns Bros., Class A (10)	41	41	41	41	+ ¾	40¾	41
93¾	60¼	800	Burroughs Add. Mch. (14)	127½	127½	127½	127½		127¼	128
111¾	100	5,100	Bush Terminal	119	119	119	119		119	119¼
71	17¾	700	Butte Cop. & Zinc (50c)	29	30¾	29	30	+ 1¼	28	30
		900	Butterick Co. (m2)	4¼	4¾	4¼	4¼	- ¼	4	4½
74¾	68¾	300	California Packing (4)	51½	51¾	51	51½	- ½	51	51¾
38¼	29¾	1,300	California Petroleum (2)	71¼	71¾	71¼	71¾			
2¾	1¼	800	Callahan Zinc & Lead	31½	31½	31¼	31¼		31	31¼
18¾	13¾	100	Calumet & Hecla (15)	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾	- ¼	15¾	15¾
170¼	146¼	600	Can. Dry Ging. Ale (c2¼)	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾	- ¼	15¾	15¾
176	62¾	1,400	Canadian Pacific (10)	37	37	36¾	37		36¾	37
8¾	7	700	Case (J. I.) Thresh. Mch.	168¾	168¾	167¾	167¾	- ¼	167	168
68¾	43¼	500	Central Leather ctfs.	154	155	154	153	+ 1¼	152	153
53¾	50	300	Central Leather Co. pf.	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾		7¾	8
305	240	400	Central Leather pf. ctfs.	53¾	53¾	53	53¾		53	53¾
32¾	10¾	100	Cent. R. R. of N. J. (12)	53¾	53¾	53	53	- ¾	53	53¾
49½	36¾	100	Century Ribbon Mills	292	292	292	292	+ 2	285	295
26	8¾	300	Certain-teed Products (3)	14	14	14	14		13¼	14
45¼	20¾	200	Chandler-Clev. Motor	41¾	41¾	41¾	41¾	- ¼	41¾	42
178¾	112	600	Chandler-Clev. M. pf.(2½)	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	- ¼	8¾	8¾
117¾	47¾	5,200	Chesapeake & Ohio (11)	22	22	22	22		22	22¼
10	4¾	1,250	Chicago & Alton	164½	165	164	164¼	- ¼	164¼	164½
18¼	6¾	3,400	Chicago & Alton ctfs.	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾		5¾	5¾
7	4¾	1,200	Chicago & Alton pf.	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾		4¾	5
51¾	36½	750	Chicago & Alton pf. ctfs.	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾			
31½	16¾	700	Chi. & Eastern Illinois pf.	7	7	7	7		7¼	8
14¾	8¼	200	Chi. Great Western	45¼	45¼	45¼	45¼	- ¼	45	46
14	7¾	300	Chi. Great Western pf.	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾		8¾	8¾
24	14¾	300	Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	25¾	25¾	25	25	- ¼	25	25¼
23¾	14	500	Chi., Mil. & St. Paul pf.	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾		8¾	9
83¾	65¼	2,500	C., M. & St. P. pf.ctfs.dep.	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾		18¾	18¾
128¾	94¼	1,000	Chi. & Northwestern (4)	18	18¾	18	18		18¼	18¾
71¾	40¾	4,300	Chi. Pneumatic Tool (5)	81¼	81¾	81	81¾		81¼	82
98	83¼	700	Chi., R. I. & Pacific	126¾	128¾	126	126	+ 1	126	126¾
66¾	45¾	700	Chi., R. I. & Pac. pf. (6)	70¾	70¾	69¾	69¾	- ¾	69¾	70
36¾	30	800	Childs Company (12.40)	95	95½	95	95½			
63¾	29¾	2,000	Chile Copper (2½)	50¾	50¾	49¾	50	+ ¼	49¾	50
54¾	28½	200	Christie Brown (12.20)	35	35	34¾	34¾	- ¼	34¾	35
108	93	19,800	Chrysler Corp. (3)	35	35	35	35		34¾	35
70¾	70¾	200	Chrysler Corp. pf. (8)	41¾	42¼	41¾	42¼	+ ½	42¼	42½
68½	60	2	Clev. & Pitts. (3½) o. l.	103	103¼	103	103¼	- 1	103	104
174	128	100	Cluett, Peabody (5)	71¾	71¾	71¾	71¾	+ 2¾	71	72
69¾	34¾	10,500	Coca-Cola (7)	61	61	61	61		60¾	61
138½	98¾	4,000	Collins & Aikman (4)	168¾	174	168¼	172¾	+ 4¼	172½	173
49¾	27¾	600	Collins & Aikman pf. (7)	69¼	69½	68	68¼	- ¾	68¼	69
91	85¾	600	Colorado Fuel & Iron	138¼	138¾	137	137¾	+ ¾	136	138
101¾	98¾	1,200	Colum. G. & E. new (5)	43	45¼	45	45		45	45¼
47½	16½	800	Col. G. & E. pf. A, n. (6)	89¼	89¾	89¾	89¾		89¾	90
99½	86	400	Commercial Credit (1)	101¾	101¾	101¾	101¾		101¾	102
72	55	400	Com'l Credit 1st pf. (6½)	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	- ¼	18¾	19
100	89	100	Com'l Invest. Trust (3.60)	86	86	86	86		86	86¾
237	118¼	100	Com'l Inv. Tr. pf. (6½)	58	58	58	58		57¾	58
29¾	12¾	1,700	Com'l Solvents B (8)	92¼	92¼	92¼	92¼	+ ¼	92¼	92¾
56½	40¾	4,900	Congoleum-Nairn	233¾	233¾	230	231¾	- 1¾	232	233
87¼	45¼	6,600	Congress Cigar (3)	191¾	191¾	191	191	- ¾	191	192
6½	1½	1,400	Consolidated Cigar (7)	55	55¾	54¾	54¾	- ¼	54¾	55
110½	87	100	Consolidated Distributors	84¼	84½	84¼	84¼	- ¼	84¼	84¾
		400	Consolidated Gas (5)	110¾	110½	110½	110½	- ¼	110¼	110¾

TRANSACTIONS ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

1926 High.	1926 Low.	Sales.	Stock and Dividend Rate	First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.	Closing Bid.	Closing Ask.
31	25¼	1,300	Pure Oil (12)	27¾	27¾	27¾	27¾	- ⅛	27¾	27¾
49¾	47¾	100	Purity Bakeries Cl. A (3)	47¾	47¾	47¾	47¾	- ⅛	47	47¾
103	99	100	Purity Bakeries pf. (7)	103	103	103	103	+ 1	101¼	104¾
61¾	32	4,200	Radio Corp. of America	59¾	59¾	58¾	59¼		59¼	59¾
101¼	79	9,900	Reading (15)	97¾	97¾	96	96¾	- 1¼	96	97
45¾	40	200	Reading 2d pf. (2)	45	45	45	45		44¼	44¾
50¾	37½	11,100	Real Silk Hosiery Mills(4)	45¼	46¼	44¾	45¾	+ ¾	45¾	46
127	83½	100	Reis (R.) & Co.	9¼	9¼	9¼	9¼		9¼	9½
15⅞	7¾	800	Remington Typewriter	8	8	8	8		8	9¼
99	91¾	500	Replogle Steel	116	116	115	115	+ ¼	114	116
103¾	4¾	100	Republic Iron & S. pf. (7)	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾		11¾	11¾
121⅞	90	2,500	Reynolds Spring	96¼	96¾	96¼	96¼	+ ¼	96	98
100	78	200	Reynolds Tobacco, B (5)	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾		4¾	5¼
57¾	47¾	200	Rossia Ins. Co. of Am. (6)	120¾	120¾	120	120¾	+ 1¾	120½	120¾
		300	Royal D.N.Y. Sh. (a 3.078)	79¾	79¾	79¾	79¾	- ¼	79	80
48¾	36⅜	300	St. Joseph Lead (†3)	51¼	51¾	51¼	51¾	+ ⅝	51¼	51¾
103¾	85	5,400	St. Louis-San Fran. (7)	41¼	41¾	41	41	- ¼	40¾	41¾
97½	83½	100	St. Louis-San F. pf. (6)	103¼	103¼	102	103		103	103¾
102½	67¼	100	Savage Arms (4)	96¾	96¾	96¼	96¾	+ ¼	96¾	97¼
52½	42¾	1,400	Schulte Retail Stores (8)	71¾	71¾	71¾	71¾	+ ¾	71¾	72
51	27½	8,500	Seaboard Air Line	49¼	49¼	49¼	49½	- ⅛	49¼	49¾
54¾	44¾	3,500	Seaboard Air Line pf.	34¾	36¾	34¾	36	+ 1⅜	36	36¼
104	3	2,600	Sears, Roebuck & Co.(2½)	40¾	40¾	39½	40¼	+ ¼	40	40¼
69¾	47	1,400	Seneca Copper	54½	55¾	54½	54½	- ¾	55¼	55½
31	24	400	Shattuck (Frank G.) (2)	3	3	3	3		2¾	3
114	103	4,600	Shell Union Oil (12)	61¾	61¾	61¼	61¼	+ ⅜	61¼	63
70⅝	52	100	Shell Union Oil pf. (6)	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾		29¾	30
28⅝	15¼	100	Shubert Theatre (5)	108¾	108¾	108¾	108¾	- ¼	108	108¾
54⅞	28¾	3,800	Simms Petroleum (1)	60	60	60	60		60	60¼
24⅞	16¾	2,000	Simmons Company (12¼)	19¾	19¾	19¼	19¼	- ⅛	19¼	19¾
99½	39⅝	5,500	Sinclair Consol. Oil	32¾	34	32¾	34	+ ⅛	33¾	34
200	103	200	Sinclair Consol. Oil pf.(8)	20¼	20¼	20	20		20	20¼
142½	103	1,400	Skelly Oil (2)	98¾	98¾	98¾	98¾		98¼	98¾
169¾	92		Sloss-Shef. S. & I. Co. (6)	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾		34¼	34¾
121	110	600	South Porto Rico Sug. (6)	130	130¾	130	130¼	+ ¾	130¼	131
33	30	100	South Porto Rico S. pf.(8)	159¼	160	159¼	160	- ¼	159¼	162
55¾	41	500	Southern Cal. Edison (2)	121	121	121	121		120	125
112¾	96½	700	Southern Dairies, Cl. A (4)	30¼	30¾	30¼	30¼	+ ¾	30¼	30¾
131½	103¾	3,100	Southern Dairies, Cl. B	44¾	45	44¾	45	+ 1⅛	45	45¾
95¾	87½	3,000	Southern Pacific (6)	20¾	20¾	19¾	20	+ 1⅛	20¼	20¾
177⅜	18⅜		Southern Railway (7)	110¼	110¾	109¾	110	- 1	110	110¼
107¼	101	500	Southern Railway pf. (5)	121¾	122¼	121¼	121¼	- ¼	121¼	121¾
69	51	200	Spicer Mfg.	95¼	95¼	95¼	95¼	+ ¼	94¾	95¼
57⅝	52¾		Spicer Mfg. pf. (8)	22¼	22½	22¼	22¼		22¼	22¾
63¾	52¾	1,800	Stand. Gas & El.	107¼	107¼	107¼	107¼	+ 2¼	105	108
56¾	37¾		Stand. Gas & Elec. pf. (4)	56¼	56¼	56¼	56¼	- ¼	56¼	56¾
39,800	30¾	1,000	Standard Oil of Cal. (12½)	56¾	56¾	56¼	56¼	- ¼	56¼	56¾
25,800	59¾		Stand. Oil of N. J. (11½)	59¾	59¾	59¼	59¼	- ¼	59¼	59¾
115	32½		Stand. Oil of N. J. pf. (7)	38¾	39¼	38¾	38¾	- ¼	38¾	39¼
9,300	115¼		Stand. Oil of N. Y. (1.60)	115¼	115¾	115¼	115¼	+ ⅛	115¼	115¾
75	33		Sterling Products (16)	33	33½	33	33	- ¼	33	33¼
61	42¼	1,200	Stew. War. Speed. (6)	92¼	92¼	92¼	92¼	+ ¼	92¼	93¼
47	62	3,800	Studebaker Co. (5)	65¾	65¾	65¼	65¼	- ¼	65¼	65½
90	1	7,900	Submarine Boat	56	56	55¾	56	+ ¼	55¾	56
85	2¾	600	Superior Oil	3¼	3¼	2¾	2¾	- ¼	3	3¼
48	4¾	200	Sweets Co. of America	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾		4¾	4¾
58	48	500	Texas Co. (3)	12¼	12¼	12¼	12¼	- ¼	12¼	12¾
57⅞	53¼	2,300	Texas Corporation (3)	57¼	57¼	57¼	57¼	+ ¼	57¼	58
52⅝	42¾	8,100	Texas Gulf Sulphur (4)	57¼	57¼	57¼	57¼	+ ¼	57¼	57¾
61¾	42¾	1,800	Texas & Pacific	50¾	50¾	50¼	50¼	- ¼	50¼	50¾
19½	12	1,100	Tex. & Pac. Coal & Oil	55¼	55¼	55	55	- ¼	55	55¼
2040	510	57	Tex. Pac. Land Trr., o. i.	15	15¾	14¾	15

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TOPICS IN WALL STREET.

News, Comment and Incident, On the Stock Exchange and In the Financial Markets.

All financial and commodity markets, here and throughout the country as well as abroad, will be closed today in observance of Christmas and will not reopen until Monday morning.

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A Christmas Market.

Numerous advances had been marked up on the New York Stock Exchange at the close of trading yesterday. While there were periods of irregularity, the general trend was upward throughout the greater part of the day. Wall Street sized up the demonstration on the Exchange in the afternoon as a "Christmas market." There was an accumulation of overnight orders which gave the market an appearance of buoyant strength at the opening. Several stocks sold off rather sharply around noon, but the bulk of the "trading favorites" held firm in the face of heavy profit-taking. General Motors was the feature of the market, closing the day with a net gain of 3¾ points. Other issues which were up sharply at the end included International Combustion Engineering, Coca Cola, du Pont, International Harvester, United Drug and American Express.

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Restricting Franc's Movements.

The announcement that the Bank of France stands ready to buy or sell foreign exchange on a basis equivalent to about 3.96 cents to the franc caused bewilderment in local foreign exchange circles. While the present action is not official stabilization, it is apparent that the Government of France does not wish the rate on the franc to vary much from its present level for the time being. In some quarters the move was interpreted as a warning against speculation. There are many signs that the recent advance in the franc has been considered too rapid. While apparently desiring to halt this, however, the Government wished to avoid a retreat from the four-cent level. Nothing in the present action would prevent the franc being stabilized at a higher rate later if this should be decided on.

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Activity in New Financing.

The sale this week of more than $74,000,000 of new bond issues was considered a favorable record, considering the mid-week halt in activities owing to the holidays. In the corresponding week of last year the total flotations were less than half of those of the present week. Although activities this week were limited to the first four days, the financing included several important foreign and domestic issues. Next week is expected to be comparatively light, but a rush of new offerings is likely after the first of the year.

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Christmas Traffic.

Final figures should show that telegraph, cable and radio companies did a record amount of holiday business this year, it was said in communication circles yesterday. This time of year always provides extra business for companies in this field, sufficient to more than offset decreases in commercial traffic resulting from the holidays. Not only has domestic holiday business been heavy, but traffic with Europe has appeared in substantial amounts. The number of messages coming from Europe to the United States is said to have been unusually heavy this year, countries in direct radio communication with America having provided some notable business.

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Fewer and Better Mergers.

Commenting yesterday on the number of mergers that have graced the utility field this year, one commentator expressed the view that, while these transactions have been somewhat fewer in number than previously, they have nevertheless been important. He pointed out that one large merger had resulted in a coordinated system extending throughout an important middle Eastern State. Another, he said, had made certain the destiny of a utility organization assembled by a man now in retirement under the aegis of one of the largest utility operators in the country. From these facts he summarized the situation in the utility field this year as being one of "fewer and better" mergers. In other words, the industry has progressed from small transactions to important transactions, the ultimate end being public benefit, he said.

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Last-Minute Shopping.

Indications of "last-minute Christmas shopping" were seen in the action of the stock market yesterday. The buying in several issues was of such size as to attract a great deal of attention. Among the stocks which seemed to be favored in the Christmas Eve rush were International Combustion Engineering, General Motors, Coca Cola and a few others. It could not be said that the buyers were looking for "bargains," because the heaviest buying in these stocks took place after a vigorous advance got under way.

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November Reports Mixed.

It has been at least seven months since the railroads reported as mixed results, as they are doing for November. On the one hand the hard and soft coal roads are showing amazing gains, while Western lines, notably the Southern Pacific and the Union Pacific, lost in both gross and net receipts. The Great Northern received a half million more net, while the Northern Pacific, a sister property, dropped off about $300,000. The disparity in the reports of the two lines appears to be explained by the fact that the former is primarily an ore carrier and the latter's principal item of traffic is grain.

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Wealth for Investors.

Never before, probably, has there been such a large distribution to investors as will take place at the first of next year in the form of dividends and interest. Early in January several of the extra and stock dividends recently declared will be payable and the heavy financing arranged around the middle of the year included many large bond issues with January interest payment dates. This is one of the factors that is counted on to help produce easy money after the first of the year. It is bound to be reflected also, in the market for bonds.

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Another Merger Possibility.

Continuance of the gains in Pittsburgh & West Virginia, which advanced 7¾ points yesterday, has revived talk of that road fitting into one of the merger schemes. The Van Sweringens were mentioned as possible purchasers three years ago and since that time rumors have been published that the New York Central, the Delaware & Hudson and numerous other railroads seeking conditions were bidding for the stock. The line occupies a strategic position in the Pittsburgh gateway which has for many years been a bottle-neck proposition to most railroads and it will undoubtedly be joined to a larger line in the event that general consolidation gets under way.

MONEY.

FRIDAY, DEC. 24, 1926.

With standing loans posted at 6 per cent., the year's maximum, there was too much of an attraction for funds to long remain away from the Stock Exchange lending table, with the result that as a magnet it proved its mettle in providing a flood of funds. However, these went abegging in the face of a light demand, and the rate soon crumpled to 5½ per cent. While this figure obtained on the Board, trades as low as 4½ per cent. went on in the Street market. Time money, however, remained firm and unchanged at 5⅝ and 4¾ per cent., the little business passing being reported at the outside price. Acceptances and commercial paper were also steady and without variation.

Call Loans.

Renewals.	High.	Low.	Thursday's Last.	Year Ago.
6	6	5½	5½	6

Time Loans.

	Friday.	Thursday.
Sixty-ninety days	4⅝	4⅝
Four, five and six months	4⅝@4¾	4⅝@4¾

Commercial Paper.

	Thursday.	Wednesday
Best names, 4 to 6 months	4½	4½
Other names, 4 to 6 months	4⅝	4⅝

Rediscount Rate, N. Y. Reserve Bank.

Rate on all classes of rediscountable paper, 4 per cent. Rate fixed Aug. 13, when it was advanced from 3½ per cent., which had been in effect since April 23.

Bankers' Acceptances.

Call loans against acceptances 4

Prime bankers' acceptances, eligible for purchase or rediscount by Federal Reserve Banks. Rates quoted are for discount at purchase:

	Bid.	Asked.
30 days	3¾	3⅞
60 days	3⅞	3¾
90 days	4	3⅞
Four months	4	3⅞
Six months	4⅛	4

London Market.

Money in London ⅝ up at 4¼ per cent.; short bills unchanged at 4⅛ per cent.; three months' bills unchanged at 4⅞ per cent.

Gold bullion unchanged at 84s 11½d. Bank of England sold bar gold valued at £500,000, destination not reported.

Clearing House Exchanges.

Exchange of checks at the New York Clearing House, $979,000,000; balances, $110,000,000; Federal Reserve credit balance, $100,000,000; holiday this day a year ago.

SILVER BULLION

Bar silver in London ⅛d up at 24⅞d per ounce; New York price ⅛c off at 53⅝c.

Range for 1926:

	Highest.	Lowest.
London	31½d. Jan. 4	24½d. Oct. 20
New York	68⅝c. Jan. 4	51½c Oct. 19

Range for 1925:

	Highest.	Lowest.
London	35½d. Sept. 5	31½d. Apr. 30
New York	72⅝c. Sept. 5	66½c, Apr. 28

MARKET AVERAGES.

STOCKS.

Range for Dec. 24, 1926.

	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.
25 railroads	101.91	100.96	101.35	+ .01
25 industrials	182.74	180.22	181.72	+ .85
50 stocks	142.32	140.59	141.53	+ .43

DAILY RANGE OF 50 STOCKS.

	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.
Dec. 23	141.60	140.29	141.10	+ .33
Dec. 22	141.41	140.15	140.77	+ .10
Dec. 21	141.64	140.25	140.87	+ .01
Dec. 20	142.35	140.24	140.86	+ .46
Dec. 18	141.82	140.36	141.32	+ .41
Dec. 17	141.56	139.20	140.91	+1.74
Dec. 16	140.74	138.61	139.17	−1.00

MONTHLY RANGE OF 50 STOCKS.

Dec.	High.		Low.		Last.
*1926.	142.35	Dec. 20	135.62	Dec. 1	141.53
1925.	138.21	Dec. 28	130.60	Dec. 1	137.46
1924.	107.23	Dec. 31	100.26	Dec. 11	106.72
1923.	84.49	Dec. 31	81.91	Dec. 19	84.15
1922.	86.85	Dec. 30	83.43	Dec. 1	86.53
1921.	69.99	Dec. 15	66.81	Dec. 23	68.50
1920.	73.72	Dec. 4	62.70	Dec. 22	67.06

YEARLY RANGE OF 50 STOCKS.

	High.		Low.		Last.
*1926.	142.35	Dec. 20	109.63	Mar. 30	141.53
†1925.	138.02	Dec. 24	101.16	Mar. 30	137.07

FULL YEARS.

1925.	138.21	Dec. 28	101.16	Mar. 30	137.46
1924.	107.23	Dec. 31	82.26	Apr. 22	106.72
1923.	92.52	Mar. 6	77.15	Oct. 29	84.15
1922.	93.06	Oct. 18	66.21	Jan. 10	86.53
1921.	73.13	May 6	58.35	June 21	68.50
1920.	94.07	Apr. 8	62.70	Dec. 22	67.06

DOMESTIC BONDS.

Closing for Dec. 24, 1926.

		Net Change. Day.	Month.	Year.
40 issues	89.56	−.07	+.54	+4.34

DAILY RANGE OF 40 DOMESTIC BONDS.

Dec. 23	89.63 −.06	Dec. 14	89.62 +.10
Dec. 22	89.69 −.03	Dec. 13	89.52 +.02
Dec. 21	89.72 −.03	Dec. 11	89.50 +.01
Dec. 20	89.75 +.06	Dec. 10	89.49 ..
Dec. 18	89.69 +.02	Dec. 9	89.49 +.12
Dec. 17	89.67 +.05	Dec. 8	89.37 ..
Dec. 16	89.62 −.04	Dec. 7	89.37 +.06
Dec. 15	89.66 +.04	Dec. 6	89.31 +.05

YEARLY RANGE OF 40 BONDS.

	High.		Low.		Last.
*1926.	89.75	Dec. 20	85.52	Jan. 4	89.56
†1925.	85.33	Dec. 17	81.99	Jan. 5	85.22

FULL YEARS.

1925.	85.44	Dec. 31	81.99	Jan. 5	85.44
1924.	82.46	Dec. 4	76.95	Jan. 2	81.99
1923.	79.43	Jan. 3	75.58	Oct. 2	76.71
1922.	82.54	Aug. 22	75.01	Jan. 6	79.12
1921.	76.31	Nov. 29	67.56	June 20	75.27
1920.	75.14	Oct. 21	45.57	May 21	68.06

FOREIGN BONDS.

Closing for Dec. 24, 1926.

		Net Change. Day.	Month.	Year.
10 Govt. issues	104.60	−.13	+.08	+1.44

DAILY RANGE OF FOREIGN BONDS.

Dec. 23	104.82 +.06	Dec. 14	105.00 −.07
Dec. 22	104.76 −.18	Dec. 13	105.07 +.03
Dec. 21	104.94 ..	Dec. 11	105.04 +.03
Dec. 20	104.94 +.14	Dec. 10	105.01 +.07
Dec. 18	104.80 −.10	Dec. 9	104.94 −.10
Dec. 17	104.90 −.02	Dec. 8	105.04 +.13
Dec. 16	104.92 +.01	Dec. 7	104.91 +.07
Dec. 15	104.91 −.09	Dec. 6	104.84 −.15

YEARLY RANGE OF FOREIGN BONDS

	High.		Low.		Last.
*1926.	105.07	Dec. 13	102.60	Mar. 31	104.69
†1925.	103.80	Nov. 10	101.04	Jan. 2	103.25

FULL YEARS.

1925.	103.80	Nov. 16	101.04	Jan. 2	103.36
1924.	102.05	Nov. 26	97.71	Jan. 5	101.10
1923.	101.14	June 7	96.92	Jan. 30	97.83
1922.	103.10	Apr. 17	97.40	Nov. 14	99.91

*To date.
†To corresponding day last year.

THE TREASURY STATEMENT.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Revenue receipts and expenditures as at close of business Dec. 22:

Receipts:	This Month.	Corr. Period Last Year.	Fiscal Year 1927.	Cor. Per. Fiscal Year 1926.
Customs	$36,730,878.47	$34,406,809.29	$307,117,472.08	$280,806,266.76
Internal rev. income and profits tax	407,766,889.56	337,148,221.03	1,025,378,928.70	836,924,668.83
Misc. internal revenue	39,477,752.44	56,681,820.72	318,262,651.06	473,672,307.83
Misc. rcts. proceeds Govt.-owned foreign oblig'ns:				
Principal	26,559,730.00	25,562,469.54	26,565,730.00	25,741,212.29
Interest	69,986,015.98	69,696,368.85	80,334,694.66	80,121,344.43
Railroad securities	1,640,988.82	5,166,030.72	31,701,460.09	19,536,883.52
All others	1,086.15	57,767.00	58,001,005.79	13,430,568.12
Trust fund rcts. reappropriated for investments	658,206.06	2,026,852.45	20,892,411.46	17,432,968.04
Proceeds sale of surplus property	28,955.14	235,376.66	8,108,967.69	6,984,534.74
Panama Canal tolls, &c.	1,439,607.42	750,967.97	11,682,290.70	10,746,388.50
Rcts. from misc. sources credited direct to app'ns.	870,482.25	2,974,896.82	4,641,453.06	12,685,051.82
Other miscellaneous	17,067,923.51	18,266,252.83	83,965,172.34	81,941,596.79
Total ordinary	$602,228,515.80	$532,913,834.88	$1,976,651,637.63	$1,860,022,731.37
Excess of ord. rcts. over total expr's against ordinary receipts	299,541,497.11	209,521,550.27	274,757,465.32	166,512,587.52
Total expr's chargeable against ordinary receipts	$302,687,018.69	343,392,275.61	$1,701,894,172.31	$1,693,510,143.85
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WHAT HENRY FORD PLANS.

In The New York Times tomorrow (Sunday) an interview with Henry Ford is reported. The central figure of a new motor war, Mr. Ford's plans and ideas are of special interest. Constantly increasing competition is the background of the motor situation involving the Ford plant.—Advt.

$74,097,000 BONDS ABSORBED IN WEEK

Foreign Issues Form Largest Part of New Offerings Totaling $21,200,000.

INDUSTRIALS NEXT IN LINE

New York City's $60,000,000 of Corporate Stock to Come on Market Soon.

New bond offerings this week amounted to $74,097,000, which compared with $152,815,000 last week and $37,235,000 in the corresponding week of last year. Although the approach of the holidays halted activities at the middle of this week, important issues were brought out on the first four days in both the foreign and the domestic fields.

The offerings, by groups, of this and last week follow:

	This Week.	Last Week.
Foreign	$21,200,000	$20,000,000
Industrial	19,800,000	36,000,000
State and municipal	13,247,000	46,315,000
Public utility	11,450,000	46,000,000
Railroad	8,400,000	4,500,000
Total	$74,097,000	$152,815,000

Activities were on a broader scale than is customary in a Christmas week. The largest issue was one of $10,000,000 of bonds of the Mortgage Bank of Chile, handled by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., who underwrote financing by the same institution earlier this year. The Department of Cundinamarca, Colombia, obtained a loan of $3,000,000. Special interest was attracted by a $4,500,000 issue of the Bulgarian Government, offered by Speyer & Co. This loan was under the auspices of the League of Nations and was arranged primarily for the settlement of refugees. It was part of an international transaction in which London and the principal Continental markets participated. The loan was heavily oversubscribed both here and in Europe. Other foreign borrowers in this market were the Republic of Panama and a housing organization in Berlin.

The industrial group produced several interesting issues, including flotations of $6,500,000 each by the New York Trap Rock Corporation and the Dierks Lumber and Coal Company, as well as financing for the Long-Bell Lumber Company and the Schulze Baking Company.

San Antonio, Texas; San Diego, Cal., and Asheville, N. C., were the largest borrowers in the municipal field. Public utility issues mostly were for moderate amounts. The outstanding transportation feature was furnished by the Wisconsin Central Railroad with an issue of $7,500,000 handled by Dillon, Read & Co.

The bond market remained firm all week, with all offerings readily absorbed. Several important issues are being shaped up for offering next week, and especially for after the first of the year. Syndicates already are being formed to bid on the $60,000,000 offering of corporate stock of New York City, on which tenders will be opened on Jan. 6. Detroit also will furnish important municipal financing early next month. Offering will soon be made of Dominican Government and Colombian municipal securities which have been acquired by local houses. Several good-sized public utility and industrial issues also are being prepared for the market.

Stock Exchange Adds Ten Men To List of 25-Year Employes

The New York Stock Exchange yesterday distributed gold pins to ten employes who this year have completed twenty-five years of service with the Exchange.

One of the recipients was H. S. Martin, Assistant Secretary of the Exchange. Others were Richard F. Cahill, George F. Garlick and Daniel X. O'Connell, tube men on the floor; Edward J. Hayes, telephone attendant; Claude J. Hollenbeck of the Stock Clearing Corporation, and George B. Cloke, William M. Davis, Frederick L. Hautau and Gustave N. Oehmen, employes of the New York Quotation Company.

There are 101 persons who have served the Exchange more than twenty-five years.

AUTO OUTPUT AT LOW POINT.

December Production Less Than 200,000, Including Canada.

As a result of a drastic curtailment by the majority of factories and complete temporary closures by several of the largest producers, automobile output is at the lowest point since 1921, Automotive Industries reports. Truck production is more active, but the combined output of passenger cars and commercial vehicles for the United States and Canada for December will be less than 200,000 units.

"Immediately after the first of the year there should be an appreciable upturn in operations," the publication states. "Current orders to equipment and material makers do not suggest a resumption of anything approaching full-time production, but the factories that have been closed down will be in a position to start fairly heavy shipments to distributers and dealers. The price situation is essentially unchanged."

$4,716,700 TO CUSTOMERS.

Public Service Corporation Reports Sales of Preferred Stock.

The Public Service Corporation of New Jersey announced yesterday that it had received subscriptions for 47,167 shares of 6 per cent. cumulative preferred stock with a par value of $4,716,700 in the customer-ownership sales campaign ended on Dec. 15. The stock was sold to 10,093 persons, the average purchase being 4.7 shares.

Since May, 1921, the corporation has conducted ten customer-ownership campaigns and has sold 409,166 shares with a par value of $40,916,600. The stock was sold to 92,817 persons, making an average of 4.4 shares per subscriber. Most of the stock is sold on the instalment payment plan.

Otis Steel Earns $138,383.

The Otis Steel Company reports for November net earnings of $138,383, after interest, but before depreciation and Federal taxes, as compared with $251,692 for November, 1925. E. J. Kulas, President of the company, says December operations have been light, but first quarter orders are coming in satisfactorily.

READING INCREASES NOVEMBER INCOME

Carrier Reports Net Operating Receipts of $2,878,026, or Gain of $1,038,000.

GREAT NORTHERN GAINS, TOO

Heavy Ore Shipments Increase Its Figures $570,000—Returns of Other Railroads.

Railroads reporting yesterday, on their business in November, showed both gains and losses. The Reading gained more than $1,000,000 in net operating income, and the Great Northern, due to extraordinary shipments of ore, took in $570,000 net more than in the same month last year. The Northern Pacific, on the other hand, due to a falling off in grain traffic, lacked a little more than $400,000 of equaling its income for the corresponding month of 1925.

The Pere Marquette, the Missouri Pacific and the International Great Northern, reported small declines.

The figures follow in tabular form:

Great Northern.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$12,218,690	$11,328,611	$12,069,495
Net op. inc.	4,673,515	4,102,892	4,581,884
11 mos' gr.	109,272,880	105,987,541	101,474,883
Net op. inc.	29,561,712	26,078,911	22,493,854

Missouri Pacific.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$11,704,214	$11,148,501	$11,239,977
Net op. inc.	1,854,460	1,900,822	1,784,253
Total inc.	2,130,135	2,277,582	2,024,699
Sur. af. chgs	854,495	968,423	931,541
11 mos.' gr.	123,168,595	119,562,929	112,411,962
Net op. inc.	18,749,737	16,459,610	14,378,034
Tothal inc.	22,097,953	20,498,795	10,943,605
Sur. af. chgs	8,067,903	6,949,758	5,195,587

Pere Marquette.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$4,033,962	$3,994,675	$3,499,484
Net op. inc.	812,079	836,047	583,589
Sur. af. chgs	646,988	732,945	355,023
11 mos' gr.	42,503,767	38,941,399	38,450,505
Net op. inc.	9,333,207	7,959,539	6,698,091
Sur. af. chgs	7,375,921	5,831,372	4,632,000

International-Great Northern.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$1,821,414	$1,463,279	$1,645,530
Net op. inc.	222,448	234,491	328,895
Total inc.	232,243	240,399	336,746
*Sur.af.chgs	113,839	138,118	233,565
11 mos' gr.	17,420,670	15,497,324	15,208,269
Net op. inc.	2,333,209	2,026,756	2,144,241
Total inc.	2,433,956	2,114,890	2,237,427
*Sur.af.chgs	1,250,492	1,008,060	1,117,587

*Before adjustment bond interest.

Gulf Coast Lines.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$1,296,418	$1,137,535	$1,177,950
Net op. inc.	142,521	138,160	224,257
Total inc.	172,050	158,394	134,080
Sur. af. chgs	1,592	19,584	133,930
11 mos' gr.	15,117,224	13,639,558	13,114,831
Net op. inc.	3,271,962	3,690,539	3,888,285
Total inc.	3,408,368	4,040,742	3,856,349
Sur. af. chgs	1,702,214	2,561,775	2,751,047

Texas & Pacific.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$3,280,173	$3,335,296	$3,257,784
Net aft. tax	850,592	789,398	1,022,444
Net op. inc.	748,392	655,010	890,907
Total inc.	777,426	684,276	923,796
Sur. af. chgs	566,184	477,716	702,589
11 mos' gr.	32,154,341	31,661,138	30,472,318
Net aft. tax	6,331,208	6,078,005	5,775,989
Net op. inc.	5,503,021	5,252,972	5,007,457
Total inc.	5,708,333	5,580,084	5,322,065
Sur. af. chgs	3,332,977	3,293,085	3,274,809

Reading Company.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$9,302,108	$7,272,919	$7,607,548
Net op. inc.	2,878,026	1,840,320	1,805,070
11 mos' gr.	90,521,181	84,312,629	84,048,142
Net op. inc.	20,656,174	18,964,245	17,704,825

New York, Ontario & Western.

	1926.	1925.	1924.
Nov. gross	$887,807	$521,869	$963,165
Net op. def.	2,706	171,828	*93,159
Def. af. chgs	55,265	258,172	*6,296
11 mos.' gr.	13,016,466	11,733,291	12,674,248
Net op. inc.	1,820,924	1,288,282	1,612,042
Sur. af. chgs	870,577	324,714	650,217

*Income. †Surplus.

NOVEMBER'S EXPORT GAIN.

Shipment of Manufactures Up $11,242,000 From 1925, of Foodstuffs, $17,955,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—Twenty per cent. of all American imports in November were made up of finished manufactured goods, compared with 18 per cent. in the same month a year ago.

November imports of raw materials for manufacturing were 37.7 per cent. of the total of imports, against 44.7 per cent. a year ago.

Figures made public today by the Commerce Department gave the following export and import classification, with comparisons with the corresponding totals for October, 1926, and November, 1925:

Exports.

	Nov., 1926.	Oct., 1926.	Nov., 1925.
Foods, raw—	$37,440,000	$35,658,000	$19,485,000
Foods, manufactured—	45,001,000	47,527,000	46,972,000
Raw materials—	168,602,000	167,167,000	173,723,000
Partly manuf. goods—	61,618,000	53,544,000	49,871,000
Manufactures—	160,848,000	144,987,000	149,606,000

Imports.

	Nov., 1926.	Oct., 1926.	Nov., 1925.
Foods, raw—	$49,611,000	$50,420,000	$46,413,000
Foods, manufactured—	39,620,000	40,659,000	29,341,000
Raw materials—	141,138,000	134,783,000	168,084,000
Partly manuf. goods—	65,897,000	64,726,000	62,093,000
Manufactures—	77,776,000	87,762,000	70,500,000

Fajardo Sugar Company's Income.

The Fajardo Sugar Company and its associated organizations report for the year ended on July 31, 1926, a net income of $582,110, after interest, depreciation, &c., but before Federal taxes, as compared with $1,303,398 in the preceding year. Gross receipts were $6,294,266, against $5,231,363. After dividend payments of $629,817 there was a deficit of $47,707, as contrasted with a surplus of $493,755 in the preceding year.

YEAR-END DIVIDENDS REACH $500,000,000

Steel's Distribution of Stock Contributes $203,300,000 Toward Huge Total.

NEW DECLARATIONS MADE

Corn Products Refining Company and Richfield Oil Order Extra Payments.

Christmas dividends this year probably will reach a total of more than $500,000,000 if the 40 per cent. stock distribution of the United States Steel Corporation, amounting to $203,300,000, is included. More than 130 industries, comprising banking institutions, industrial corporations, railroads and power and light companies, have distributed excess earnings in the current month. In many cases stock dividends of as high as 50 per cent. were declared.

Of particular interest was the large number of dividends, both extra and special, announced by commercial and investment banks in the Wall Street district.

Yesterday's distributions included an extra dividend of 75 cents a share by the Corn Products Refining Company in addition to the quarterly disbursement of 50 cents. The regular quarterly dividend of $1.75 on the senior stock was also declared.

Directors of the Richfield Oil Company of California concluded that the time was propitious for inaugurating dividends of 25 cents a share on the new common stock of the company. An extra disbursement of 15 cents also will be made.

Hill-Joiner & Co., Inc., declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent. on preferred stock and $2 on the common. In the previous quarter the common dividend payment was $1.

The Havana Electric Utilities Company changed its rates quarterly on both the cumulative preferred and the first preferred stocks. The directors declared a quarterly payment of $1.25 on the $5 cumulative preferred stock and one of $1.50 on the first preferred stock. On Nov. 15 last an annual dividend of $5 a share was paid on the cumulative stock and a semi-annual dividend of $3 on the first preferred.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED.

Company.	Rate.	Period	Payable.	Stock of Record.
Am Bond & Mort pf	1¾	Q	Jan. 1	Dec. 20
Corn Products	50c	Q	Jan. 20	Jan. 3
Do	75c	Ex	Jan. 20	Jan. 3
Do pf	$1.75	Q	Jan. 15	Jan. 3
Havana Elec & Util				
5% pf	$1.25	Q	Feb. 15	Jan. 21
Do 1st pf	$1.50	Q	Feb. 15	Jan. 21
Hill, Joiner & Co.	$2.00	Q	.....	Dec. 31
Do pf	3½	SA	.....	Dec. 31
India Tire & Rub.	62½c	Q	Jan. 1	Dec. 26
Do pf	$1.75	Q	Jan. 1	Dec. 29
Richfield Oil	25c	..	Feb. 1	Jan. 5
Do	15c	Ex	Feb. 1	Jan. 5
Stetson (J. B.)	$3.75	SA	Jan. 15	Jan. 1
Do pf	4	SA	Jan. 15	Jan. 1
Wab R R pf "A"	$1.25	Q	Feb. 25	Jan. 25

Mehler With Winburn & Co.

Jesse Winburn, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Jesse Winburn & Co., Inc., bankers, of 1 Wall Street, yesterday announced the appointment of Jesse B. Mehler as Vice President and director. Mr. Mehler has been Vice President of the Railway Advertising Company and the New York City Car Advertising Company. He has also been made Vice President of the Bronxville Golf Association.

Gasoline Price Equalized.

An advance of 1 to 2 cents a gallon in gasoline prices at filling stations in Buffalo and Rochester, N. Y., points where prices have been below the general rate in its territory was announced yesterday by the Standard Oil Company of New York.

WALL ST. BONUSES TOTAL $50,000,000

Christmas Distributions to Employes More General Than Ever Before.

FINAL GIFTS ARE ANNOUNCED

Bond and Mortgage Company Pays $129,000 on Percentage Basis—Another Group Insured.

Employes of the investment and commercial banking houses of Wall Street have received more than $50,000,000 in Christmas bonuses, it was estimated yesterday when the final distributions gave statisticians an opportunity to total their figures.

It was agreed unanimously that this Christmas has meant more to the thousands of workers in the financial district than any other on record. There have been larger distributions by individual houses in previous years, but prosperity never was so general as it has been this year.

Yesterday's disbursements were not large compared with the total on previous days of this and last week. The Bond and Mortgage Company announced payment of bonuses amounting to about $129,000. The company's plan which has been in force for several years, gives to each employe a percentage of his salary in proportion to the length of his service. This year those who have been with the company at least a year will receive 31 per cent. and the amounts rise to 44 per cent. for those employed fifteen years or more.

Clarence G. Appleton, President of the Guardian Trust Company of New York, announced a Christmas gift to employes, the benefits of which will extend to their families. The gift consists of group life insurance policies issued by the Prudential Life Insurance Company and involving a total coverage of $100,000.

Other announcements included that by D. Appleton & Co., who for the fifth successive year have given all workers a bonus of 10 per cent. of their year's salaries, and a bonus of 5 per cent. to be paid by Hill, Joiner & Co., Inc., to all office employes.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 24 (AP).—Sharing a year of prosperity with its workers, the Seaman Body Corporation, associated with Nash Motors, today gave out $130,000 in Christmas bonuses to 3,700 employes.

CURB LISTS TOBACCO ISSUE.

Action Taken Foreshadows Early Exchange of Schulte Stock.

Terms on which shares of the Schulte Retail Stores Corporation will be exchangeable for those of the Union and United Tobacco Company will be made public soon, it was indicated yesterday when stock of the latter corporation was listed on the New York Curb Market. Trading in Union and United will begin on Monday on the Curb.

The Curb has listed 250,000 shares and has authorized listing of 620,822 additional shares of Union and United stock. The authorization of an additional listing is understood to be made to provide trading facilities for new stock that will be issued under the company's offer to sell its stockholders additional stock at $105 a share in the ratio of one new share for each four held. Curb officials declined to give information on the listing before Monday.

New Bond Offerings of the Week

Week Ended Dec. 24, 1926.

FOREIGN

Bond or Note.	Amount.	Price.	Interest Rate	Yield Per Cent.	Term Yrs.	Interest Due.	Interest Payable.	Syndicate or Firm.
Department of Cundinamarca, Colombia, external secured s. f. gold bonds	$3,000,000	94¾	7	7.50	20	1946	J.&D.	Hallgarten & Co., Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Lehman Bros., William R. Compton Co., Cassatt & Co.
Housing & Realty Impt., Berlin, 1st mtg. s.f. gold bds	1,500,000	98	7	7.19	20	1946	M.&N.	J. & W. Seligman & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Foreign Trade Securities Co., Ltd.
Kingdom of Bulgaria settlement loan secured s. f. gold bonds	4,500,000	92	7	7.65	40	1967	J.&J.	Speyer & Co., Blair & Co., Inc., J. Henry Schroder Banking Corporation.
Mortgage Bank of Chile gtd. agricultural gold notes	10,000,000	98¾	6	6.30	5	1931	J.&D.	Kuhn, Loeb & Co., Guaranty Co.
Republic of Panama external secured s. f. gold bonds	2,200,000	103	6½	6.30	30	1956	J.&D.	Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co., Bauer, Pond & Vivian.
INDUSTRIAL								
Dierks Lumber & Coal 1st mtg. s. f. gold bonds	6,500,000	100	6	6	6-15	1932-41	J.&D.	Baker, Fentress & Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., Continental & Commercial Co.
Schulze Baking 1st mtg. gold bonds	2,800,000	99	6	6.10	19	1945	M.&S.	Spencer Trask & Co., H. M. Bylesby & Co., Inc.
Black & Decker Mfg. s. f. conv. deb	1,250,000	99	6½	6.60	10	1937	J.&J.	Hornblower & Weeks, Baker, Watts & Co.
Long-Bell Lumber conv. coll. gold notes	3,250,000	98	6	6.50	5	1931	J.&D.	Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Haligarten & Co., W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc.
N. Y. Trap Rock 1st mtg. s. f. gold bonds	6,500,000	98½	6	6.125	20	1946	J.&D.	William R. Compton Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, McBee, Jones & Co.
STATE AND MUNICIPAL								
Township of Union, N. J., school district bonds	385,000	..	4½	4.35	1-40	1928-67	J.&J.	M. M. Freeman & Co.
City of New Rochelle, N. Y., bds	1,153,000	..	4¼	4	3-35	1929-61	J.&D.	Guaranty Co., Eldredge & Co., Kean, Taylor & Co.
City of San Diego, Cal., bonds	2,000,000	..	4½	4.15-.25	1-40	1927-66	J.&D.	W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc., Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co., Redmond & Co., Phelps, Fenn & Co.
City of Asheville, N. C., bonds	3,000,000	..	4¾	4.20-.45	2-40	1928-66	J.&D.	William R. Compton Co., A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., Detroit Co. Inc., Curtis & Sanger, Howe, Snow & Bertles, Inc., Eldredge & Co., Northern Trust Co., Chicago; Wells-Dickey Co.
Lee Co., Fla., school district bonds	300,000	..	6	5.40	7-30	1933-56	M.&N.	C. W. McNear & Co.
State of South Dakota tax anticipation warrants	850,000	..	4.33	4.05	1	1927	J.&D.	A. G. Becker & Co., Foreman Trust & Savings Bank.
Monroe Co., Fla., road & bridge bds	750,000	100	5½	5.50	10-29	1936-55	J.&D.	R. M. Grant & Co., Inc.
Panama City, Fla., waterworks bds.	85,000	89½	5	5.75	29	1955	J.&D.	Brandon, Gordon & Waddell.
Leon Co., Fla., bonds	900,000	100	5	5	5-29	1931-55	J.&J.	Eldredge & Co., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.
San Antonio, Texas, gold bonds	3,600,000	..	4½	4.25	1-40	1928-67	J.&J.	Guaranty Co., Eldredge & Co., Ames, Emerich & Co., Detroit Co., Inc.
Borough of Merchantville, N. J., school dist. bds.	224,000	..	4¾	4.40	1-40	1928-67	J.&J.	M. M. Freeman & Co.
PUBLIC UTILITY								
Niagara, Lockport & Ontario Power 1st mtg. & rfdg. gold bonds	3,750,000	100	5	5	29	1955	A.&O.	Lee, Higginson & Co., Blair & Co., Inc., Schoellkopf, Hutton & Pomeroy, Inc.
Northwest Louisiana Gas, Inc., 1st mtg. s. f. gold bonds	1,200,000	97½	6½	7	7	1933	J.&D.	Glidden, Morris & Co., Edmund Seymour & Co., Inc., Throckmorton & Co.
Northern Texas Utilities 1st lien s. f. gold notes	2,500,000	100	7	7	3	1929	J.&D.	A. M. Lamport & Co., Inc., Freeman, Smith & Camp Co.
Central West Public Service 1st lien coll. gold bonds	4,000,000	99	5½	5.55	30	1956	M.&N.	A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Porter, Fox & Co., Inc.
RAILROAD								
North Amer. Car equip. trust ctfs.	900,000	..	5	4.80-5.15	2-15	1929-38	J.&J.	Freeman & Co.
Wisconsin Central Ry. sec. notes	7,500,000	99	5	5.35	3	1930	J.&J.	Dillon, Read & Co., National City Co.

Real estate mortgage bonds are not included in this table.

BONDS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

TRANSACTIONS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1926.

	U. S. Gvt. Bonds.	Other Domestic Bonds.	Foreign Bonds.	Total All Bonds.
Day's Sales.				
Yesterday	$759,000	$4,820,000	$2,308,500	$7,887,500
Thursday	725,750	6,001,000	2,782,000	9,508,750
Year ago	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday
Two years ago	2,260,050	6,442,500	2,950,500	11,653,050
Year to Date:				
1926	$254,410,900	$1,982,348,400	$736,636,450	$2,973,395,750
1925	345,229,570	2,306,805,175	694,733,600	3,346,768,345
1924	876,269,235	2,278,962,380	620,672,080	3,775,903,695
1923	809,000,180	1,496,231,150	434,997,800	2,740,229,130

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LOANS.

—Range since date of issue.— High.	Date.	Low.	Range. Date.	High.	1926. Sales in Low.	1,000s.	Issue.	Open.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.	Closing— Bid.	Asked.	Yield.
103.1	Oct. 19,'22	86.1	June 2,'21	101.25	99.19	146	Liberty 3½s, 1932-47	100.31	100.31	100.31	100.31		100.30	100.31	3.33
102.25	Oct. 19,'22	86.4	July 11,'21	101.14	99.13	25	Liberty 3½s, registered	100.28	100.28	100.28	100.28	—.1	....	....	....
102.17	June 17,'25	83.00	May 19,'20	101.15	100.00	...	Liberty 1st 4s, 1932-47	....	....	....	....	....	100.16	....	3.36
102.10	June 15,'25	83.25	May 19,'20	100.12	99.30	...	Liberty 1st 4s, registered	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
102.13	July 8,'24	81.12	May 20,'20	100.22	99.31	...	Liberty 2d 4s, 1927-42	....	....	....	....	....	100.5	....	3.79
101.16	July 23,'24	81.16	May 21,'20	100.4	99.28	...	Liberty 2d 4s, registered	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
103.00	June 13,'24	90.00	June 7,'20	102.16	101.4	...	Lib. 1st 2d 4¼s, 1932-47	....	....	....	....	....	102.10	....	....
103.6	July 7,'25	84.00	May 21,'20	102.30	101.21	5	Lib. 1st cv. 4¼s, 1932-47	102.24	102.21	102.21	102.21	—.4	102.20	102.22	3.75
102.26	July 7,'25	84.00	July 30,'20	102.23	101.16	...	Lib. 1st cv. 4¼s, reg	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
102.00	July 29,'24	81.3	May 20,'20	101.1	100.12	6	Lib. 2d cv. 4¼s, 1927-42	100.29	100.29	100.28	100.30	+.2	100.24	100.30	3.66
101.27	Aug. 5,'24	83.16	Dec. 23,'20	101.29	100.27	...	Lib. 2d cv. 4¼s, reg	100.27	100.27	100.27	100.27	+.1	....	....	....
102.23	Aug. 5,'24	85.20	Dec. 20,'20	101.16	100.25	224	Lib. 3d 4¼s, 1928	101.12	101.14	101.12	101.12	—.1	101.13	101.14	3.23
102.21	Aug. 5,'24	82.12	May 19,'20	101.14	100.23	...	Lib. 3d 4¼s, reg	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
103.11	Dec. 17,'26	82.00	May 20,'20	103.11	101.29	67	Lib. 4th 4¼s, 1933-38	103.00	103.5	103.00	103.5	+.2	103.2	103.5	3.51
103.9	Dec. 17,'26	82.15	May 20,'20	103.9	101.28	101	Lib. 4th 4¼s, reg	103.00	103.00	102.30	102.30	+.1	....	....	....
110.00	Nov. 26,'26	98.1	Mar. 27,'23	110.00	106.9	5	Treasury 4¼s, 1947-52	109.20	109.20	109.17	109.17	—.3	109.16	109.22	3.41
109.24	Dec. 10,'26	98.20	Apr. 25,'23	109.24	108.14	...	Treasury 4¼s, registered	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
106.1	Dec. 10,'26	100.9	Dec. 23,'24	106.1	102.28	6	Treasury 4s, 1944-54	105.23	105.23	105.21	105.21	+.3	105.20	105.23	3.81
104.2	June 29,'26	100.27	Apr. 17,'25	104.2	103.22	...	Treasury 4s, registered	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
102.1	Dec. 13,'26	100.12	Mar. 23,'26	103.1	100.12	...	Treasury 3¾s, 1946-56	102.26	102.26	102.24	102.24	+.1	102.23	102.24	3.81

Quotations after the decimal point in the above table represent one or more 32ds of a point. Comparisons for dates prior to March 22, 1923, when the system now used was introduced, are reduced to the form now used in the Stock Exchange quotations.

FOREIGN BONDS.

Alpine Montan Steel 7s, 1955	1..... 91¾	Antioquia s f g 7s, Ser A, 1945	4..... 94½	5..... 94½	s f g 7s, Ser B, 1945	5..... 94½	Argentine 6s, Ser A, 1957	95..... 98	6s, Ser B 1958	3..... 98¼	6s, June, 1959	5..... 98	5..... 97½	8..... 97½	6s, Oct., 1959	4..... 97¼	1..... 97¼	2..... 97¼	5..... 97¼	6s, Oct., 1960	5..... 98	1..... 98	6s, May, 1960	8..... 98
7s, 1927	3.....100	Australia 5s, 1955	2..... 97½	Austrian 7s, 1943	1.....101½	1.....101¾	4.....101¾	Belgium 6s, 1955	2..... 91½	1..... 91½	2..... 91½	6½s, 1949	15..... 96½	2..... 96½	25..... 96¼	7s, 1955	5.....100¾	13.5.....101	5.....101½	11.....100¾	6.....101	10.....100¾	10.....101	14.....101¾	13.....101½	6.....100¾	7½s, 1945	1.....110¾	7s, 1956, Interim ctfs	10..... 99½
3..... 99¼	3..... 99¼	17..... 99¾	31.....100	6½s, 1950	2..... 97½	33..... 97½	Bogota 8s, 1945	2.....103	Bolivia 8s, 1947	2.....104¾	6.....104½	3.....104¾	Bordeaux 6s, 1934	2..... 92¾	1..... 92¾	26..... 92¾	Brazil 6½s, 1957	1..... 89	2..... 89¾	3..... 89	2..... 89¾	2..... 89¾	5..... 89	8..... 89¼	Bush Term Bldg s f 5s, 1960, stmpd, gtd	1.....102	1.....101	1.....100	Cal Petrol s f 5½s, 1958, temp	1.....100¾	1.....100¾	23.....100¾	Canadian Nat Ry g 4½s, 1930	10..... 99¼	1..... 98¾	Canadian Nor 4½s, 1935	25..... 97¼	Car, Clinch & O s f 6s, Ser A, 1952	1.....108	Cent Leath 1st s f 6s, 1945	6.....101¾	Cent Pac gtd 4s, 1949	2..... 91¾	gtd 5s, 1960	5.....101½	Cent Steel s f 8s, 1941	1.....119¼	Cent of Ga Ry ref & gen 5½s, 1959	1.....104¾	6s, 1929	1.....102¼	Central N E 4s, 1961	1..... 78	1..... 78¼	O & Erie 1st 5s, 1982	6.....106¾	Ches & Ohio 4½s, 1930	3..... 99¼	4..... 99¾	fund 5s, 1929	7.....101¾	C, B & Q gen 4s, 1958	10..... 93¾	5s, 1971	1.....106½	Ill Div 3½s, 1949	2..... 86¾	Chic & E Ill gen 5s, 1951	7..... 80¾	1..... 81	Chic Gt Wn 4s, 1959	10..... 69¾	Chic, Ind & L gen 6s, Ser A, 1966	10..... 99¾	Chic, Mil & St P 4s, 1934	1.....101¾	gen 4½s, 1989	3..... 96	ref 4½s, 2014, ctfs of dep	8..... 57	gen & ref 5s, Ser B, 2014	2..... 55¾	ctfs of dep	1..... 55¾	6s, 1934	11..... 104	6..... 104¼	Chic & N W 7s, 1930	1.....106¾	Chic, St L &	1..... 99¾	Cuba R R 1st & ref 7½s, 1936	1.....108¼	Cuban Dom S f g 7½s, 1944	1..... 98¾	Cuyamel F 1st s f 6s, 1940	2..... 94¼	Del & H 1st & ref 4s, 1943	1..... 94	9..... 93¾	conv 5s, 1935	2.....117	7s, 1930	1.....107¼	Den & R G 1st & ref 5s, 1936	2.....107¾	Denv & R G 1st & ref 5s, 1951	1..... 98¼	Den & R G con 4s, 1936	1..... 91¼	6..... 91¼	1..... 91¼	imp 5s, 1928	1.....100	Den & R G W s f g 5s, 1955	11..... 74	23..... 74¼	1..... 74	Det Edison gen & ref 5s, 1949	1.....102¾	gen & ref 5s, 1955	2.....102¾	1st & ref 6s, 1940	2.....107¾	Dodge Bros s f 6s, 1940	5..... 95¾	2s, 1951	40..... 95¾	2..... 95¾	Jacob Dold 1st s f 6s, 1942	1..... 90	Dom Ir & Stl s f 5s, 1939	2..... 52¾	Donner Stl s f 7s, AA, 1942	1..... 96	Eastern Cuba Sug 7½s, 1937	3.....107¾	2.....107¾	El Paso & Swn 1st & ref 5s, 1965	5.....104¾	Emp G & Fuel 1st & ref 6½s, 1941	1.....100	10s77..100	5s77..99¾	1.....100¼	2.....100	Erie 1st gen 4s, 1996	1..... 74¼	2..... 74¼	4s, Ser A, 1953	1..... 70¼	Ser B, 1953	1..... 73½	cv 4s, Ser D, 1953	17..... 83¾	5..... 85¾	21..... 85¼	4..... 85¾	2..... 85	Fed Lgt & Tr 1st 6s, Ser	1..... 99¾	Cuba R R 1st & ref 7½s, 1936	1.....103½	Cuban Dom S f g 7½s, 1944	1..... 98¾	Cuyamel F 1st s f 6s, 1940	2..... 94¼	Del & H 1st & ref 4s, 1943	1..... 94	9..... 93¾	conv 5s

COUNTER SHARES RETAIN STRENGTH

American Piano Leads Rise of "Musical Stocks" With an Advance of 45 Points.

UTILITIES MAKE BIG GAINS

Extra Dividends and Bonuses Motivated Activity In Many Sections of the Market.

While dealings slowed up somewhat as the holiday week drew to a close, the over-the-counter market continued strong in tone and substantial progress was made on the advance in numerous sections of the market. Considerable influence resulted from extra dividend announcements during the week.

A feature of the period was the renewed strength in the so-called "musical stocks," with American Piano the leader on an advance of about 45 points to a new high record for all time. Aeolian-Weber Piano and Pianola was the other feature of these shares. Knox Hat also came in for special attention during the week, and advances of a substantial degree were registered by Superheater, Newport prior common, Van Camp preferred, Giant Portland Cement, Chestnut-Smith preferred, Elliott-Fisher, United States Trucking B and National Fuel Gas.

Gains ranging from 5 to 15 points were made by the utility stocks, the chief activity of which centred in the senior issues. The bank stocks were especially strong and active all week, the declarations of dividends and bonuses to employes being regarded as the motivating influence for their rise.

Yesterday's session was comparatively quiet, but good accumulation continued in some of the recent strong spots. The industrial and bank stocks were again the features, but there was firmness apparent in the utilities, the insurance shares, chain stores and sugars.

SHIPPING LINES CONFER.

Discuss Freight and Passenger Business to the South.

Representatives of several leading steamship lines plying between New York and Southern Florida, Cuba and Caribbean Sea ports met at the Biltmore yesterday and discussed the development of passenger and freight business to Southern destinations. Land developing and land dredging companies were also represented in order to consolidate the various interests of the steamship companies with a view of aiding and cooperating in the reclaiming of the Everglades and to provide the shippers with return cargoes North. The results of the meeting were reported entirely satisfactory and as promising great business for Southern Florida.

Among the steamship lines represented were the Munson Line, Clyde Line, United Fruit, Baltimore and Carolina, Weems Line of Baltimore, Atlantic Southern Steamship Company, Merchant and Mariners Steamship Line, Bermuda Steamship Lines, Nassau Navigation Company, Cuban and Caribbean Sea Steamship Lines.

BID AND ASKED QUOTATIONS

FOREIGN ISSUES.

Closing quotations for Government, municipal and miscellaneous bonds issued in this country and in American currency values in which there were no transactions:

	Bid.	Asked.
Argentine 5s, 1945	....	89
Bavaria 6½s, 1945	....	89
Belgium 8s, 1945	....	97⅜
Bergen 8s, 1945	....	107⅝
Bergen 6s 1949	....	112¾
Brazil 7½s, 1952	....	102
Buenos Aires 6s, 1955	....	102⅝
Canada 4½s, 1936	....	99¼
Carlsbad 8s, 1954	....	97⅜
Chile 8s, 1946	....	103⅛
Christiania 6s, 1954	....	108¾
Cologne 6½s, 1950	....	100
Colombia 6½s, 1927	....	97⅛
Copenhagen Tel 6s, 1950	....	100
Cuba 5s, 1944	....	100
Cuba 5s, 1949	....	101¼
Cuba 4½s, 1949	....	101¼
Czechoslovakia 8s, 1951	....	93
Czechoslovakia 8s, 1952	....	103⅝
Dominican Rep 5½s, 1958	....	101⅛
Dominican Rep 5½s, 1942	....	101⅛
Dutch East Indies 6s, 1962	....	103¼
Dresden 7s, 1945	....	103¼
El Salvador 8s, 1948	....	106
El Salvador 8s, 1949	....	101¼
Finland 8s & 7s, 1945	....	103⅝
Graz 8s, 1954	....	98⅜
Gt Brit & Ire 5½s, 1937	....	101½
German Gen Elec 7s, 1945	....	102¼
Heidelberg 7½s, 1950	....	117¼
Hildesheim Am 8s, 1947	....	102¾
Industrial Bank, Japan, 6s, 1927	....	90¾
Italian Irrigation 4½s, 1948	....	100⅛
Netherlands 6s, 1972	....	103¾
Nassau 5½s, 1953	....	94
Pulista Ry 7s, 1942	....	102½
Peru 8s, 1944	....	102½
Porto Alegre 8s, 1961	....	103⅜
Prague Main Danube 7s, A, 1950	....	102
Rhine Westphalia 7s, 1950	....	101
Rima Steel 7s, 1955	....	101½
Rio Grande do Sul 8s, 1946	....	93¾
Rio de Janeiro 8s, 1947	....	103½
Rotterdam 6s, 1964	....	103½
Sao Paulo City 8s, 1952	....	107
Swiss 8s, 1940	....	107¾
Swiss 8s, 1952	....	113½
Thuringen 7½s, 1945	....	105½
Unit Hydro-Elec 7½s, 1955	....	100
Uruguay 8s, 1946	....	97¾
Vesthalia El 6½s, 1950	....	103⅝

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT PRE-WAR LOANS.

Closing quotations for Government bonds:

	Bid.	Asked
3s, r 1920-1954	101¼	102¼
3s, r, 1940-1944	101⅛	102¼
3s, r, 1946, 1956	95	96¼
3s, r, 1946, 1956	95	96½
3s, r, 1947, 1955	95	96½
3s, r, 1947, 1955	95½	96½

	Bid.	Asked.
Pan 2s, c, 1938	100¼	101½
Pan 2s, r, 1938	100¼	101½
Pan 3s, c, 1961	95¼	96¼
P I 4s, '34, '54	97	98

Closing quotations for stocks in which there were no transactions:

	Bid.	Asked.
Abt P & P 8% pf	....	89
Abr & Str pf	....	113
Adams Ex.	128	129
Alum Ld... 4%	5	7
Am & Vic.	116	118
Am P W P pf	....	26
Do pf 8%	....	105
Am Sm. & R.	206	235
Am A Cab.	146	148
Am & W.	107	108
Amoskeag 8	50	53
Am Ch & D pf	....	78¾
Am Leath.	104	106
Do pf	....	104
Am Rk Wt	42	43
Am S Sug	24¼	25¾
Do pf	59	60
Am Sr Sh pf	....	124
Am Typ F.	126	....
Do pf	....	106½
Am Wsale pf	....	105¾
Am Zinc	89¾	....
Do pf	101	....
Ann Arbor	44½	....
Do pf	69½	....
Ark N O M	....	106
Armour, Ill.	....	107¾
Do pf	....	80
Armour, Del.	23¾	24½
Assoc D G pf	....	101¾
Do pf	....	103
Assoc Inv.	40¼	51
Atl G & W I	....	....
Do pf	....	37½
Atlas Pow.	61¾	62
Do pf	....	98
Atlas Tack	84	90
Atl Nch.	54	56
Do pf	....	104½
Auburn Auto	4	5
Do pf	....	38
Aviation	....	40
Do pf	....	115¾
Do A	....	11d
Barnet Leather	41	44½
Do pf	....	104
Barnsdall A	102	103¼
Beech-Nut Pack	66	....
Belding H pf	....	102
Bendix Aviation	40	....
Berghoff Brew	....	2
Best & Co	103	....
Best Foods	41	42
Bethlehem Steel pf	....	103
Bigelow-Sanford	19½	....
Do pf	....	102
Black & Decker	37	....
Blaw-Knox	42	....
Bliss, E W	35	....
Do pf	....	104
Bon Ami A	....	115½
Do B	....	11d
Bon Ami Co A	103	....
Do B	41	42
Boston Mex	2	3
Bower Roll	3	4
Brad Lea	11	12
Brill Corp	20	....
Brit Type Inv	2	....
Brockway Mot	3	4
Brown Fence	50	....
Do pf	....	98
Brown Shoe	101	....
Bruce, E L	....	103
Bucyrus	53	....
Bulova Watch	2	3
Burd Piston	4	5
Burroughs	39	40
Bush Term Bldg pf	....	103
Byers, A M	41	42¾
Do pf	....	105
By-Pr Cok	67	69
Cal & Ar.	67	68½
Can South	59½	61
Case Thr M pf	....	117
Central L	7¼	7¾
Cen All St	....	....
Do pf	....	29½
Chain Belt	....	106
Cont Rib M pf	....	78¼
Cer de Pas	62¾	63¾
Certain-teed	....	107½
1st pf	104	106
Do 2d pf	95¼	....
Chic & E Ill	30	31
Chic & N W pf	....	124½
Chic, R I & P	7⅝	....
Do pf	....	103
Chi, St P, M & O	52	60
Do pf	....	110
Chi Yel C	44	45
Chino Cop	22	27
Chrysler Inv.	102	108
C, C, C & St L	....	250
Do pf	....	110
Cleve & P.	71	78
Clett-F pf	113	117
Col Fuel & I pf	....	112
Col South.	83	85
Do 1st pf	70	72
Do 2d pf	65	68
Col Gas & Elec	....	89¾
Do pf	....	117
Col Carb.	68	72
Com Inv T	....	97
Do pf	....	98
Conley Tin	....	101
Foil stp.	5¾	....
Con Clg pf	99½	102½
Con Bk pf	89½	90
Con Can pf	102	106
Corn Prod Ref pf	....	129¾
Do pf	....	72¾
Crex Carp	20	26
1st pf	97½	98
Crown W pf	....	98
1st pf	97½	98
Crucible Steel pf	102½	104
Cuba R R pf	....	80
Cub Dom S	17¾	18½
Do pf	....	105
Cub Dom S	15¾	18½
Cushman's Sons 7% pf	....	107½
Do 8% pf	106½	109¾
Cuy Fruit	29¾	32¾
DeBeers M	32	34
Deere & Co pf	....	107
Det & M.	54	60
Do pf	....	55
Devoe & R. A 1st pf	101¼	107½
Dul, S & A 1st	....	1
Do pf	....	4
DuPont	103¾	110
Durham H	8	12
Duquesne	....	42
Lt 1st pf	116¾	....
Eastman Kodak pf	....	118
Elsenlohr pf	88	93
El Pwr & Lt pf	95¾	97¼
Do 6% pf	104	104½
Do fl pd	103½	....
Elk Horn	....	27
Equal	23½	25½
Eng P S	23¾	24
Emerson B	2	3
Do certfs.	¾	2
Do pf	5	11
Do pf cf	7	8½
Do B	1	2
End John	67¼	68
Equit Off	....	8
Bldg pf	122¾	123¾
Equitable	36	40
Erie & Pit	60¾	....
Erie Steam	....	17
Sh pf	100¾	101½
Exch Buf	15	15¼
2d stpf	145	....
N Y S Rys	13¼	15
Do pf	33	39
Fairbanks	2½	3½
Fairbanks, Morse pf	107	109
Fed Lt & Tr pf	....	93
Fed Min & Smelt	....	84

	Bid.	Asked.
Fifth Av B.	14	15½
First Nat Pr 1st pf	....	99½
Fisk Rub	98	98½
F Simon pf	109	111
Gen Am T Car pf	107	109
Gen Bak A	115	130
Gen Cig	54	54¼
Do pf	116	118
Gen Ry Sig	112¾	117½
Gen Gas & Elec A	42¼	43
Do B	40	41¾
Do pf B	93½	96
Gen Mot pf	104	....
Gen Rwy Sig pf	....	106
Gen Ret	43	45
Gild Co	18⅝	19
Gdrich pf	94½	95
Goth Steel	3	4
H 1st pf	111¼	111½
GouldCoup	9½	10
Gt W Sug pf	....	116
Guantanamo Sugar pf	....	85
Gulf Mob & No pf	104	106
Gulf States Steel	60	62
Do 1st pf	100	102½
Hackensack Water	17½	....
Do pf	25	....
Hanna 1st pf	58	60½
Hayes Whl	....	103
Helme (G W)	75	80
Do pf	116	....
Hock Val	210	225
Hud & Man pf	28	30
Ill Central	123½	124
Do pf	123	125
Indian Mo-torcycle	13	17
Do pf	90	....
Indian Ref pf	95	107
Ingersoll-Rand	92	95
Do pf	104	....
Int Steel pf	....	111
Int Agricul pf	62½	63¾
Int Cement pf	104	105
Int Mer M	6¼	7
Int Nickel pf	104½	....
Int Rys of Cent Am	24	25
Do pf	62	67
Int Shoe	157	161
IntertypeC	21¾	22
Iowa Cent	1	1¼
Iron Prod	80	88
Jewel Tea pf	120	124½
Joliet & C	126¼	....
Jones Bros Tea	10¾	11
Jones & L pf	117¾	120
K C P & L	113¾	114½
K C South	6¾	7
Kan & Gif	¾	⅝
Kayser(J) & Co 1st pf	111	115
Kel S Tire pf	45	50
Kelsey Wh	83	88
Do pf	115	121
Kinney (GR) Co	44	47
Do pf	80	85
Kresge(SS) pf	107	113¾
Kresge Dpt Stores	18½	22
Do pf	75½	89
Kress(SH) pf	120	130½
Do pf	124½	....
Kup'heimer (B) x d	35	40
Do pf	105	....
Laciede Gas	190	195
Do pf	87	....
Leh Val	101	101⅜
Lit & My	99	100
Do pf	124	125½
Loose-W B 1st pf	118	....
Do 2d pf	160	175
Lorillard Co pf	116¾	117½
Louisiana	....	....
Louisville G & El, A	23¾	24
Lousl & N	132	134
Ludlum St	25¼	27¾
McCrory	76½	82
Do pf	110	110¾
Mack Trks 1st pf	110	113
Mackay Cos pf	70¾	72
Mallinson pf	72	75
Manati Sg	41	42
Manhat El gtd	85	92
Man Shirt	26¼	26¾
Manila El Corp	38½	41
Market St Ry	....	5
Do pr pf	45	46½
Do pf	24	26
Martin-Pc	21	21½
Math Alk	85	85½
Do pf	99¾	110
May Dept Stores pf	124½	125½
Melc-G Pict pf	24¾	25
Mich Cent	1600	....
Mid Cp pf	102¼	104
Mid Steel pf	35	37
M, St P & S S M pf	28	29
Do 1 l	55½	60
Montan P	....	112½
Mor & Es	80	....
Mullins B	6¾	11¼
Do pf	93	....
Munsing	36¾	37
Murr Body	6¾	7¾
N C & S L	160	180
N Ac sta	5½	6
N C & S T	21¾	22½
Do pf	66	69
Na D Sts	26½	27
Do pf	92	94½
Nat Enam	25	26
Do pf	80	84
Nat Lead pf	117¾	122
Na Rys of M 1st pf	4½	5¼
Na Sug pf	115	117
Nat Tea	115	120
N O, Tex & Mex	122	126¾
N Y Air pf	75	77
N Y Dk pf	76	77
N Y Har	180	184
N Y, L & W	103	....
N Y Rys 1st pf	15	24
2d stpf	145	....
N Y S Rys	13¼	15
Do pf	33	39
N Y Steam 6% pf	92½	....
Nt L&Ont pf	107	109
Do 7%pf	104½	....
Northg	127½	128
Pow pf	112½	114¼
N P Rf pf	29¾	29
Nor South	38	39½

	Bid.	Asked.
N & W pf	84	86
N A Ed pf	96¼	96¼
Nor Cent	81	82½
Nor T & R pf	....	50
Nunn Co	12¾	13
Om Cor pf	88	90
Om Hosy	....	35¾
Or Clr pf	102	....
Otis El pf	110	111¾
Otis St pf	....	66
Ow Bot pf	114	116
Pac Coast	15	20
Do 1st pf	50	70
Do 2d pf	30	50
Pac G & E	131	132
Pac Mills	38	....
Pan P & R pf	68¼	75
Penn Dix Cem pf	90¼	90¾
Penn E & L	11	12
Penick & F	22½	22¾
Do pf	100½	....
Penney (JC) pf	102¼	....
Pen-Ar Sas	21¾	....
Pere Marq	117½	118¾
Pho Hosiery	85	90
Do pf	101¼	103
Pierce-Ar pf	105½	107
Pitt Coal pf	15	17½
Pitt C, C & St L	95	....
Pitt Cl pf	74	75
Pitt Ft W pf	73	75
Do pf	141	150¼
Pitt Stl	148¾	....
Pitt Stl pf	100	102
Pitt Ter Cl	40	44
Pitt Ut pf	80	86
Pitt Util pf	16¾	17
Pr Stl Car	40¾	41
Do pf	80	81
Pr Pt & Rpf	37¾	39
P S E & G pf	101¾	102½
P S, N J	....	....
Do pf	99⅝	100¼
Do 8% pf	112¼	112¾
P S E P pf	113¾	116
Pur Bak B	41¼	42
Pure Oil	....	....
Do pf	111	112
R R Sec Ill C stk ctfs	75¾	76
Ra Cor pf	52¾	53
Rand Min	37¾	40
Ray Con C	15½	16¼
Rea 1st pf	40½	41½
Real Silk Hos pf	93¼	99
Rem Ice C	40	40¾
Do pf	98	....
Rem Type pf	111	117½
Do 2d pf	111	114
Ren & Sar	125	....
Rep Ir & S	50¾	57½
Rey Tob.	137½	....
Reis (R) pf	78	82
Rut pf	44	47
St L Sou	63	64
Do pf	76	77
Safety C.	52½	53
Schulte pf	116½	120
Seagrave	13¾	15¾
Shell Tr	44¾	44½
Sher-Wm's 1st pf	106	....
Simmons	106½	108¾
Co pf	105	....
S & J pf	104	107
Skelly Oil	....	14
Spear & Co	12¼	14
Do pf	76	80
Stand Mill	72	73
Stand Oil	85½	89
Stand P G	....	4⅜
Do pf	....	48
Stromberg Carb	50½	51
Studebaker Co pf	119½	122¾
Sun Oil	31¾	32
Sun Steel	25	27
Symington Co A	6	6¾
Do "A"	12¼	13½
T-tograph	12¼	13½
Penn Cop	10¾	11
The Fair	27½	28
Thompson (J R)	47	47½
Tide W Oil	89	90
T & W	16	17½
Twin City Rt	....	59¾
Do pf	....	92¼
Underwood Type pf	120	126
Un Tk Car	115	119
Un Cigar	....	....
St pf	123½	126
United Dye pf	6	10
Do pf	25	50
Un Paper-board	17½	18½
U S Cast pf	....	....
U S Exp	3	3¼
U S Indstl Alcoh pf	109½	110¼
U S Rub 1st pf	108	108¾
U S Smelt pf	46¾	47
U S Tob	65	67
Univ Pict 1st pf	98	100
Utah Cop	113¾	115
Vanadium Corp	39¼	39¾
V Raalte 1st pf	65⅞	68
Vicksburg S & P	97½	100
Va-Car Ch pf	98¾	....
Va-Car Co	....	....
1st pf	87	87½
Va Ir C & Coke	47	52
Va Pr pf	80½	85
Vulcan D	16½	19
Do A	14½	....
Do pf	93	....
Do B	60	....
Wash-C pf	107½	110
Wabash pf B	63	68
Waldorf S	21¼	21¾
Ward Bak A	100	116
Do pf	92	94½
WellsF Ex	1¾	2¾
West Pa pf	80	84
Elec A	97	99
Do pf	101	....
W Pa Pwr 1st pf	4½	5¼
W Pa Rys pf	113¾	115
Class A	30½	32
Westhouse E & M 1st pf	81¼	85½
W Md 1st ct	26¾	27
Willys-O pf	90	91¼
Wilson & Co new	12½	13
Do pf	77½	79½
Woolworth (F W) n	....	....
Worthing-ton P	21	22
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	51¼	52

JONAS SEES ANOTHER YEAR OF PROSPERITY

Banker Says Overproduction, However, May Create Price War or Depression.

Confidence, with an admixture of conservatism, are the foundations on which business in the United States now rests, and barring unforeseen developments, the new year is likely to witness a continuance of country-wide prosperity, according to Nathan S. Jonas, President of the Manufacturers Trust Company.

"In many lines one hears of the dangers in overproduction, and the merits or demerits of instalment buying have come up for renewed discussion," Mr. Jonas declared. "In my opinion, the danger from overproduction should be emphasized, as this one factor may be sufficiently important to create a price war or depression in a number of industries. Unless manufacturers and merchants study the situation as it may affect their particular lines, it probably will resolve itself down to a number of failures of the weaker ones and the survival of the strongest and fittest.

"Advices from Federal Reserve centres report no appreciable lessening of commercial activity, although the South and Southwest, may reasonably be expected to show reduced buying power because of the very low prices prevailing for cotton. The foreign debt situation finds its most direct reflection in the erratic movements of exchanges on Continental Europe. As a result, our trade balance may suffer further reversal, but the steady growth of this country and the increasing domestic demand for most commodities should in large measure neutralize this adverse condition. Holiday trade has been eminently satisfactory in the main. With few exceptions, the turnover has established records as to volume of business. Nevertheless, it is noteworthy that in many instances increased business has been effected on smaller profit margins."

American Ship Loses $1,779,668.

The American Ship and Commerce Corporation and its subsidiaries report a net loss of $1,779,668, after interest and depreciation, for the nine months ended on Sept. 30, as compared with a loss of $427,700 in the same period of last year. After crediting the account with $919,319 of surplus adjustment, the net deficit, including profit on sale of capital assets, was $860,349, as against a deficit of $826,920 in the first nine months of 1925.

$1,250,000 Loan Anticipated.

The Atlantic Gulf and West Indies Steamship Lines has paid off a loan of $1,250,000 with the American Trust Company, which was to have matured on Jan. 26, 1927. This was the balance of a loan contracted in connection with reacquisition of the Ward Line several months ago.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS

QUOTATIONS FOR DECEMBER 24.

FOREIGN INTERNAL SECURITIES

Securities in subjoined table payable in currency of issuing countries:

Security.	Rate.	Issue.	Bid.	Asked.
Belg., Premier	5	1920	20	22
Belg. Restoration	5	1919	20	22
Brit. Fund	4	1919	20	22
Brit. Nat. W. B	5	Mar., 1920	81	83
Brit. Nat. W. B	5½	1920	102	104
Brit. Nat. W. L	5	Oct., 1927	101¼	101⅝
British Consol	2½	1949-47	96	98
British Victory	4	Sep., 1919	88	90
Denmark	6	1919	244	251
Denmark	5	1894	146	156
French Govt.	5	1921	19	21
French Govt. Vic.	5	Jan., 1931	27½	29
French Loan	5	Prem., 1920	29	31
Italian War Loan	5	1920	27	29
Mid. R. R. pr pf	6	1960	33¼	34¾
Norway	6	1921-31	256	259
Norway	6½	1944	267	272
Paris-Orleans	6	1920-70	258	261
Poland Govt.	5	1936	24	27
Prague	4	1924	3¼	4¼
Russian Rentes	4	....	1½	1⅝
†Warsaw	5	1894	6	8
		1921	100	125

Payable in currency other than that of issuing countries:

Security.	Rate.	Issue.	Bid.	Asked.
Arg. (unlisted)	5	Sep., 1945	87½	89½
Arg. (rescission)	6	1945	77½	79½
Bolivia	8	1940	89	91
Brazil	4½	1889	59	61
Brazil	4½	1883	60½	62½
Brazil	5	1913	62¾	64¾
Brazil	4	1889	50½	52½
Brazil Rest	4	1900	52¾	53¾
Brazil	4	1910	51	53
Buenos Aires 10-yr. gold bonds	6	....	98	101
Buenos Aires	5s, 1919, £10 pieces	....	64	67
Buenos Aires	5s, 1913, £100 pieces	....	70	72
Canada	5	1937	103	103½
Canada	5	5% Nov., 1913	103½	104¼
Central Pac. R. R. (European issue)	4	1946	71	74
C. M. & St. P.	4	1925	53	55
Chile 1st 5s, 1911	..	1922	73	75
Chinese Govt.	5	1913	50	60
Costa Rica	7	1911	68½	70½
Greek Govt.	5	1914	113	118
Mortgage Bank of Danzig 8s, (£100 units	....	....	....	....
Sao Paulo fr. st.	....	1907	69	72
Sao Cath., Brazil	8	1936	80	82
Uruguay	5	1915	80	82
Uruguay	5	1919	80	83

*Per 100 zloty. †Million Polish marks.

GERMAN STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bonds quoted in dollars per million pre-war marks:

	Bid.	Asked.
German Government (War Loan 5s, 1924-18)	1,750	1,800
Hamburg 4½s	95	105

Bonds quoted in dollars per thousand pre-war marks:

	Bid.	Asked.
Hamburg 4s (pre-war issue)	1½	2
Prussian (consols) 3½s	1.65	1.75
Krupp 5s	....	....
Munich 4s (pre-war)	1¼	1⅝
Gen. Elec. 4½s (pre-war issue)	3½	3¾
Do 4½s, 1919	27	29
Berlin 4s (pre-war)	2	3
Hamburg-American 4½s	29	31

Stocks quoted in dollars per share, having a par value in reichsmarks (gold marks) as indicated:

	Bid.	Asked.
Hamburg-American Line (200)	114	120
North German Lloyd (40)	15	16
Leonard Tietz (100)	29¼	30¼
A. E. G. (German El) (100)	37½	39
Do pf B. (60)	33¼	34¼
Heyden Chemical (40)	12	13
Badische Anilin (240)	175	185
Daimler Benz Motor (60)	11½	13
Goerlitzer Wag & Mas (60)	2¾	3¼
Hansa Lloyd W (20)	....	....

BANKS.

	Bid.	Asked.
Deutsche Bank (100)	44	46
Berliner Handels (200)	125	135
Commerz und Privatbank (6)	62	64
Darmstadter (100)	62	64
Disconto Gesellschaft (150)	63	65
Dresdner Bank (80)	32	34
Barmen Bankverein	32	34
Hamburg Vereinsbank (60)	20	22
Mitteldeutsch Creditbank (20)	6¼	7¼
Reichsbank (100)	38¼	39¼

AUSTRIAN.

	Bid.	Asked.
Austrian A. E. G. (2,000 kr.)	.90	1.15
Merc'rbank Vienna sh. (3,000 kr.)	.75	1.00
Rima Murany (200 kr.)	2½	2¾

CANADIAN PUBLIC SECURITIES.

Payable, principal and interest, in United States gold coin:

	Rate.	Mat.	Bid.	Asked.
Alberta	5½	1947	105½	107
Alberta	5	1939	100	101
Alberta	5	1943	100	101
British Columbia	5	1948	100	101½
British Columbia	4½	1927	99¾	100⅛
British Columbia	5	1939	100	101
British Columbia	5	1949	100½	101⅛
Calgary	5½	1939	104	105
Calgary	5	1944	103	103
Greater Winnipeg Wat	5	1929	99½	100¼
Greater Winnipeg Wat	5	1952	99	100
Manitoba	5	1934	100½	101½
Manitoba	6	1946	112	114
Montreal	5	1930	100	101
Montreal	5	1943	100¼	101¼
New Brunswick	6	1958	101¼	102½
New Brunswick	5	1928	101	102
Nova Scotia	5	1934	100	101
Nova Scotia	6	1928	101	102
Ontario	5	1942	101	101½
Ontario	6	1943	111½	102½
Ottawa	5	1944	97	99
Regina	5	1949	100¼	101
Saskatchewan	5	1932	100½	101
Saskatchewan	5	1943	100	101¼
Saskatchewan	5½	1946	106	107½
Toronto	5½	1948	100	101½
Victoria	5	1944	100½	101½
Victoria	5½	1944	102½	104

SHORT TERM NOTES.

Security.	Rate.	Date.	Bid.	Asked
Alum Co. of Am.	7	Oct., 1933	105½	105¾
Am Dia Tel com.	....	....	69	72
Do pf	....	....	108	110
Anaconda Copper	6	Jan., 1929	101⅝	101¾
Atlantic Refining	4½	1928	99¾	100¼
B & O R R sec.	6	July, 1929	102½	102¾
Canada Nat Rys.	4	July, 1927	99⅞	99⅝
Cent Argentine	6	Feb., 1927	100	100¼
Chi, R I & Pac.	5	July, 1929	101¾	102¼
Columbia G & E.	5	May, 1927	99¾	100
Continental G & E.	5	Nov., 1927	99⅞	99⅝
Edis El Ill Bost.	4½	July, 1927	99¾	100
General Cigar	7	Dec., 1927	100¼	100½
Do	6	Dec., 1927	100½	101
Do	6	Dec., 1929	101

CHRISTMAS TRADE BIG BUT IRREGULAR

Business of Record Size in Some Cities; Disappointing in Other Sections.

TOTAL ABOUT EQUAL TO 1925

Public Buying Power Remains at High Level, Dun's Reports—Stocks Small.

Trade reports for the last week stress the magnitude of the retail Christmas turnover. The buying has been about equal to that of last year, some centres reporting record business, while a few have expressed disappointment.

"Holiday lines, taken as a whole, seemed to have moved at about the same pace as a year ago, but retail buying was irregularly distributed," Bradstreet's reports. "Retarding influences were the low price of cotton, which slowed trade in the Southwest; reduced automobile production schedules, with consequent unemployment; numerous bank failures in the Middle West, and curtailed lumber mill operations on the North Pacific Coast.

"Sales of jewelry, cigars and confectionery were about equal to a year ago, and hardware and radio moved well. Staple lines were rather quieter, except where, as in the Northwest and parts of the Pacific Coast, cold weather helped the movement of clothing, shoes, coal and other seasonable goods. There was a further quieting down in wholesale, except where the depletion in retail stocks brought in some prompt fill-in orders."

"No important new movements in business are to be expected near the year end, and none have occurred," says Dun's Weekly Review. "What has been probably the largest aggregate Christmas trade on record has been completed, and current dispatches are stressing the magnitude of the turnover, and few complaints are heard. Employment of workers, though showing a seasonal reduction in some lines, is so extensive as to maintain the public purchasing power at a very high level. No serious strikes prevail, and some protracted troubles have been adjusted.

"The fact that stocks of goods in nearly all quarters are relatively small is one of the strongest points of the present situation, as it necessitates the frequent placing of fill-in orders. No change from the policy of buying in moderate lots and chiefly for well-defined needs is noted, and fluctuations in commodity prices, with few exceptions, are still confined within a narrow range."

WOOL PRICES HOLD.

Market Hopes for Better Demand After Year-End.

BOSTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—The Commercial Bulletin will say tomorrow: "A fair interest in wool continues on the part of the mills, both worsted and woolen, and prices are easily maintained. In fact, the tone of the market is better than for several weeks, and the feeling is general that after the first of the year there will be a healthy demand for wool. Sales have been mostly of domestic wools and chiefly in Territories.

"The foreign markets are firm. Bradford is quiet, but Continental markets are fairly active. The primary markets have been rather against the buyer.

"The manufacturing position is not materially changed. The mills keep receiving repeat orders in a moderate way, which does not encourage speculation in raw material, but forces them to buy rather steadily. However, there is some speculative trading in wool on Summer Street, which has not been apparent for some weeks."

CURB TRADING IRREGULAR.

Business Restricted and Holiday Influences in Evidence.

Trading on the Curb Market yesterday was rather irregular, although there were several features, mainly in the high-priced issues. Such stocks as Procter & Gamble, Libby Owens and American Piano were in better demand. On the other hand, there were irregularities in issues which have advanced recently and declines in these stocks ranged up to as much as 2 or 3 points.

The oil shares were quiet and there was some evening up under way throughout this list. Trading was on a rather restricted scale and holiday influences were apparent throughout the market.

Forty Years' Service Rewarded.

William Middleton Thom, who has served the National City Bank forty years, received a gold watch, suitably engraved, yesterday from President Charles E. Mitchell in behalf of the management of the bank. Mr. Thom is the only employe now active in the institution who was with it in 1886. In accepting the gift he said he felt capable of carrying on another forty years.

Denies Poland Seeks Morgan Loan.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Upon instructions from its Government, the Polish Legation tonight described as devoid of foundation, reports from Warsaw that Poland was negotiating with J. P. Morgan & Co. and a "Dutch-Swiss" banking syndicate for a loan of $100,000,000. "No such negotiations have been undertaken," the Legation said, "and consequently the information to that effect is devoid of foundation."

3.2 PER CENT. RISE IN BANK CLEARINGS

Total of $9,830,646,000 for Week Ended on Dec. 23 Is Reported.

GAINS MADE IN TEN CITIES

Increase in New York Amounts to 4.1 Per Cent.—Figure for Boston Is 22.5.

Reversing the trend of recent weeks, bank clearings for the six days ended on Dec. 23, showed substantial gains in ten of the twenty-three leading cities reporting, and the total clearings of $9,830,646,000 showed an increase of 3.2 per cent. by comparison with $9,526,006,000 reported for the week to Dec. 24, 1925.

Clearings in New York aggregated $6,102,000,000, as compared with $5,861,000,000 last year, making a gain of 4.1 per cent. The total for the cities outside of New York reached $3,728,646,000, against $3,665,006,000 last year, or an increase of 1.7 per cent. The widest gains were in Boston, Baltimore, Cleveland, Kansas City and Los Angeles. The largest decreases were in Minneapolis, Atlanta, New Orleans, San Francisco and Portland, Ore.

The following table, compiled by R. G. Dun & Co., shows the figures for the week ended on Dec. 23, 1926; the average daily bank clearings for December to date, and for preceding months, as compared with the records of last year:

	Week Dec. 23, 1926.	Week Dec. 24, 1925.	Per Cent.
Boston	$540,000,000	$448,000,000	+22.5
Phila.	619,000,000	600,000,000	+ 3.2
Balto.	111,429,000	105,176,000	+ 5.9
Pittsburgh..	201,864,000	194,307,000	+ 3.9
Buffalo	53,034,000	56,545,000	- 6.2
Chicago ...	670,663,000	673,258,000	- 0.4
Detroit	179,275,000	182,421,000	- 1.7
Cleveland...	124,789,000	115,277,000	+ 8.3
Cincinnati..	78,418,000	75,258,000	+ 4.2
St. Louis...	153,300,000	157,100,000	- 2.4
Kans. City.	158,300,000	150,400,000	+ 5.3
Omaha	37,802,000	41,854,000	- 9.7
Minneapolis	78,463,000	90,627,000	-13.4
Richmond..	56,330,000	62,226,000	- 9.5
Atlanta....	65,853,000	90,058,000	-26.9
Louisville..	37,899,000	36,807,000	+ 3.0
N. Orleans.	59,472,000	68,590,000	-13.3
Dallas	50,588,000	50,021,000	+ 1.1
San Fran..	181,300,000	202,802,000	-10.3
Los Angeles	182,254,000	173,228,000	+ 5.2
Portland ..	38,076,000	40,418,000	- 5.7
Seattle	43,437,000	44,663,000	- 2.7
Total	$3,728,646,000	$3,665,006,000	+ 1.7
New York.	6,102,000,000	5,861,000,000	+ 4.1
Total all.	$9,830,646,000	$9,526,006,000	+ 3.2
Average daily:			
December to date...	$1,590,851,000	$1,679,514,000	- 5.3
November..	1,537,024,000	1,668,054,000	- 7.8
3rd Quarter	1,548,214,000	1,575,944,000	- 1.8
2nd Quarter	1,435,963,000	1,422,141,000	+ 1.0
2nd Quarter	1,542,924,000	1,481,156,000	+ 4.2
1st Quarter	1,646,342,000	1,529,843,000	+ 7.6

Savings Bank Increases Rate.

The New York Savings Bank announced yesterday that it had increased its interest rate on deposits from 4 to 4½ per cent. for the period ending on Dec. 31 on all deposits from $5 to $7,500.

RUBBER TRADING QUIET.

Turnover Again Small — Prices Close 20 to 30 Points Up.

With little in the way of outside developments to influence the trend, the London market for one thing being closed for the holidays, trading in crude rubber futures yesterday showed no change in character from the two preceding sessions. Prices closed 20 to 30 points over Thursday's closing. The turnover was again small, only 109 contracts changing hands, and these were involved in four positions.

Range of prices for the deliveries traded in follows:

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
January	39.00	38.90	38.80b	38.60
February	39.40	39.10	39.20	38.90
March	39.80	39.50	39.50b	39.30
May	40.20	40.00	40.00n	39.80

Other months closed: April 39.80n, June 40.30n, July 40.40b, August 41.00n, September 41.30n, October 41.60, November 42.00n, December 38.70b. Spot price 39.00n.

MAY BUILD FLEET FOR SOVIET

British Group Is Reported Offering a Credit of $100,000,000.

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MOSCOW, Dec. 24.—A communiqué of the Transportation Commissarat published today states that a representative of a British shipbuilding group recently visited Moscow and offered to build a commercial fleet at a total value of $100,000,000 on a credit arrangement extending over ten years, during the frist three years of which the Russians would pay nothing whatever.

The headquarters of the Soviet commercial fleet informs me that the deal is likely to be concluded in the near future as they expect the arrival of a more important member of the British group—which it is premature to name—to conduct final negotiations. An official added that it was possible a credit for an even larger amount than the sum mentioned in the communiqué would be arranged.

Watch Given to Walter Dutton.

Employes of the Rubber Exchange of New York yesterday presented a watch to Secretary Walter Dutton. The presentation was made by Mrs. Viola Tate, his secretary. President F. R. Henderson spoke a few words of appreciation on behalf of the Board of Governors. A Christmas fund contributed by the members was distributed among the employes of the Exchange.

Canadian Holiday Trade High.

Canadian wholesale and retail grocers report a substantial holiday business, especially in foodstuffs and Christmas specialties. Manufacturers of boots, shoes, dry goods and clothing also have reported an increase in the volume of business. Importation of Japanese oranges into Canada for the Christmas season has been larger this year than in any previous year.

NEW YORK CURB EXCHANGE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1926.

Stocks.	Day's Sales.	Thursday.	Wednesday.	A Year Ago.	Year to Date.	1925 to Date.
Industrials and public utilities.....	94,430	165,460	141,095	Holiday	53,229,991	60,582,818
Standard oils.....	27,370	37,200	39,110	Holiday	12,417,337	13,662,441
Miscellaneous oils..	98,100	94,560	107,220	Holiday	21,541,400	22,590,820
Mining	41,000	113,410	89,310	Holiday	27,780,012	27,098,212
*Total stocks...	260,900	410,630	376,735	Holiday	114,968,740	123,934,291
Domestic bonds....	$681,000	$1,154,000	$1,229,000	Holiday	$252,958,100	$223,523,100
Foreign bonds.....	614,000	914,000	799,000	Holiday	90,253,000	69,569,000
Total bonds....	$1,295,000	$2,068,000	$2,028,000	Holiday	$343,211,100	$293,092,100

INDUSTRIALS.

Range, 1926. High.	Low.	Sales.		High.	Low.	Close.	Ch'ge. Net
3⅝	1½	300	Allied Packers, new	2	2	2	— ⅛
29	9¾	100	Do prior pf	16	16	16	— 2
106⅞	98½	100	Aluminum Co of Amer pf (7)	102¾	102¾	102¾	— ⅛
21½	18½	100	Am Brown Boverie Elec ctfs	21	21	21	..
275	220	320	Am Piano (110)	275	265	273	+ 8
113	103	30	Am Rolling Mill pf (7)	113½	112¾	113½	+ ½
45½	35¾	800	Am Seating, new (74)	45¾	43¾	43¾	— ¾
34	28⅜	100	Am Writing Paper pf ctfs, new, w. i	30	30	30	— 1
17¾	13¼	1,100	Anglo-Chilean Nitrates	16	15½	16	..
2½	⅞	300	Atlantic Fruit & Sugar	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛	— ⅛
98¾	74	25	Bigelow & Hartford Carpet(6)	79	79	79	..
116	91¼	100	Borden Co (5)	99¼	99¼	99¼	+ ¼
15¾	4⅝	100	Bridgeport Machine	4⅞	4⅞	4⅞	+ ⅛
57⅜	31⅜	1,000	Brill Corp, A	46½	45⅜	46½	+ ⅝
33	13	400	Do B	13	12¾	12¾	— ⅛
31⅝	21¾	600	Brit-Am Tobacco, coupon (2½)	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝	..
31	19¼	100	Buegrus Co, new, w. i	19¼	19¼	19¼	..
30	23¾	400	Butler Brothers (2½)	24¼	23⅞	24½	+ ⅛
103	75	100	Central Aguirre Sugar (10)	98	97½	97½	— ½
79½	71	200	Central Leather prior pf, w i	75	75	75	..
21	15⅜	3,100	Centrifugal Pipe (1)	17	16⅛	16⅜	— ⅛
44⅝	42	100	Chicago Nipple Mfg, A	43½	43½	43½	— ½
32	25⅜	100	Do B ctfs	30⅜	30½	30½	..
5⅞	1½	100	Consolidated Dairy Products	2	2	2	..
28⅝	21	200	Consolidated Laundries (12)	21¼	21¼	21⅜	— ⅛
19	6	200	Curtiss Aero & Motors	19⅛	18¾	19	+ ⅛
117½	113	100	Curtis Publishing pf (7)	114⅛	113⅜	114	+ ¾
11	5	400	De Forest Radio (10)	10	10	10	..
1	⅜	1,300	Dubilier Condenser & Radio	4⅞	4⅝	4⅝	— ⅛
26½	17½	1,200	Dunhill International	22¾	22¾	22¾	+ ⅛
9⅝	3⅞	1,400	Durant Motors	8¼	8¼	8¼	+ ⅛
21	7	200	Duz Co, Inc, A	7½	7½	7½	..
22	6⅝	100	Do ctfs	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛	..
47⅜	24	3,900	Estey Welte Corp, A (12)	47⅜	47⅛	47⅜	..
17⅜	10½	100	Do B (12)	16	16	16	..
10½	2⅝	100	Pageol Motor	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝	..
163½	124⅜	140	Fajardo Sugar (11½)	160	155½	155½	— 8½
17⅜	8	100	Federal Purchase, B (1)	8	8	8	— ⅛
635	315	60	Ford Motor of Canada (10)	430	425	429	— 6
11⅝	9	500	Foundation Foods Shares	10½	10½	10½	..
34⅜	19	100	Fox Theatres, Class A	23⅝	23⅜	23⅜	+ ⅛
9¾	3¼	300	Freed-Eiseman Radio	4½	4¼	4⅜	+ ⅛
37⅜	17⅜	1,900	Freshman (C) Co	24½	23½	23½	— 1
41⅜	40⅜	600	Fulton Styphon, w i	41⅜	40⅜	41	..
8	6	100	Gardner Motor	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞	..
70½	44½	500	General Baking, A (5)	69½	69½	69½	..
17⅜	5¼	1,000	Do B	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞	+ ⅛
50⅜	38½	200	General Ice Cream (2)	46	46	46	..
13	11	100	Gillette Products (1)	12	12	12	..
80	47	25	Giant Portland Cement	70	70	70	— 4
42	26	400	Goodyear Tire & Rubber	31	30¾	30¾	— ¼
27½	22	700	Gobel (Adolf)	27½	27	27½	..
7	50c	2,800	Grimes (D) Radio	2½	2½	2½	..
1	50c	600	Griffith (D W), A	75c	75c	75c	— ⅛
15⅜	10¼	100	Halfenhaw, new	15	15	15	+ ⅛
8¼	6	100	Happiness Candy, A (50c)	6½	6¼	6¼	..
7¾	5¾	1,000	Do Pids shrs (60c)	6¾	6¾	6¾	+ ⅛
21⅜	8¾	700	Hazeltine Corp (11½)	13	13	13	+ ⅛
19⅞	4	500	Industrial Rayon "A"	4⅜	4⅛	4⅜	..
61	50½	25	Ins Co of Nor Amer (3)	54½	54½	54½	..
220	130	375	Johns-Manville Co (12)	217	208	209	— 3
62¾	50⅝	4,600	Do new, w i	59	58	58	— ⅛
175	75	100	Do new pf, w i	117	114½	116¾	..
20⅞	16	100	Kruskal & Kruskal (2)	18⅜	18⅜	18⅜	— ⅛
48⅝	36½	700	Lehigh Valley Coal ct (12½)	40⅜	40¼	40½	+ ⅛
102	80	10	Lehigh Val Coal Sales (8)	98	98	98	..
212	102	110	Liq Carbonic Corp (10)	132⅜	128⅝	130⅝	+ 4⅜
18⅜	18⅜	200	Madison Sq Garden ctfs (1)	17	16½	16¾	+ ⅛
50⅜	43½	200	Marmon Motor (4)	45	44½	44½	— ⅛
35⅞	30⅞	1,900	Murray Body, new, w i	32½	31⅜	32½	+ 1⅛
29	28⅞	50	Nor Amer Cem (1.60 3-5c)	28⅝	28⅝	28⅝	— ⅛
11	6⅝	100	Nor Ohio Brcs pr pf (80c)	10¼	10¼	10¼	— ⅛
18	10	100	Philip Morris	16⅝	16⅝	*16⅝	+ ⅛
20	13	100	Pick (A) Barth & Co ctfs	13	13	13	..
310	270	50	Pittsburgh Plate Glass (18)	270	270	270	+ 3
18⅜	14½	700	Prosperity & Gamble, new (7)	18⅜	17⅝	18⅜	+ 3⅜
14⅝	10⅜	100	Pyrene Mfg (80c)	14½	14½	14½	..
54⅜	34⅜	1,700	Rand Kardex (3)	53½	52½	53⅜	..
28⅜	18⅜	400	Reo Motor (*1.70)	19⅜	19¼	19⅜	..
11c	10c	1,000	Repetti Candy	11c	11c	11c	— 1c
10⅜	8⅝	1,000	Reuckenacker Motor	9c	8c	9c	+ 2c
65	58	100	Scovell Mfg, new (2.40)	65	65	65	+ 3½
132	120½	100	Safety Car Htg & Ltg (110)	128	128	128	..
22⅝	9¾	5,500	Serv-el Delaware, A	19⅜	19⅛	19⅜	+ ⅛
401	260	50	Singer Manufacturing (*48)	368	368	368	+ 2
43⅝	20	900	Splitdorf Bethlehem	21¼	21¼	21¼	— 1½
16⅜	15	100	Standard Coml Tob (1)	16	16	16	..
19½	4	200	Standard Publishing, A	5¾	5¾	5¾	..
2⅜	1⅜	100	Standard Motors	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜	..
47⅜	39	100	Stetson & Co (3)	42½	41½	42½	+ ⅝
25	14½	100	Swift International (1.20)	21⅜	21⅜	21⅜	..
27	20	300	Tobacco Products Export	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜	..
43½	29	700	Todd Shipyard (2)	40	39	40	+ ⅛
14	1	1,400	Tung-Sol Lamp, A (1.80)	7⅞	7⅛	7⅞	+ ⅛
240	133	20	Tubize Artificial Silk, B	169	169	169	+ 2
20½	17	100	Tung-Sol Lamp, A (1.80)	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝	— ⅛
14⅜	9¾	100	United Prof Shar, new (120c)	11¼	11¼	11¼	— ⅛
58	36	36,600	United States Foil, B	37⅛	36⅝	37	+ ⅛
5½	1⅞	400	Mexican Panuco	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝	— ⅛
26	23	200	Mountain Products (2.80)	25⅝	25	25	— ⅛
6¾	5	2,000	Nogg Bradford (50c)	5¼	5	5	— ⅛
17	14	1,200	New Mex & Ariz Land	15⅜	13⅞	13⅞	— ⅛
10⅝	5⅝	1,000	Pandem	9	9	9	— ⅛
12¾	11⅜	800	Panteped w i	12	11⅞	12	..
38	14⅜	1,800	Red Bank	25	25	25	+ ½
7½	4⅛	200	Reiter-Foster	5⅛	5	5⅛	..
7½	4½	163	Ryan Cons	4⅞	4¾	4⅞	+ ⅛
30	20⅞	3,000	Salt Creek Prod (15.35)	31½	31	31½	+ ⅛

MISCELLANEOUS OILS.

Range, 1926. High.	Low.	Sales.		High.	Low.	Close.	Ch'ge. Net
25⅞	7⅞	800	Tidal Osage non-voting	20	19	20	..
27	20⅝	4,300	Tidewater Assoc (1.20)	22	21⅝	22	+ ⅛
99½	94½	800	Do pf (6)	94½	94	94	..
8	4⅛	1,000	Venezuela Pet	7⅛	6⅞	7	..
30⅜	23⅞	100	Warner Quinlan (2)	26	26	26	..
30⅜	22	500	Wilcox Oil & Gas, new (2)	29½	29⅜	29⅜	— ⅛

MINING.

22c	6c	1,000	Arizona Globe Copper	6c	6c	6c	..
3⅜	1½	100	Cons Copper, new	3	3	3	..
14c	3c	1,000	Cortez Silver	7c	7c	7c	..
2⅜	1⅜	400	Cresson Cons (10c)	2⅜	2⅜	2⅜	..
18⅜	3	600	Engineers Gold	6⅜	6⅛	6⅛	— ⅛
16c	3c	2,000	Eureka-Croesus	6c	6c	6c	..
90c	61c	100	Falcon Lead	70c	70c	70c	..
19c	5c	2,000	Forty-nine	7c	7c	7c	+ 2c
32c	6c	4,000	Hawthorne	12c	11c	12c	+ 1c
19½	15½	300	Hecla Mining (2)	15⅝	15½	15½	— ⅛
4⅞	3	300	Iron Cap Copper	3⅝	3½	3½	— ⅛
7,900	Kay Copper	1½	1½	1½	..
5,500	Nipissing (60c)	9	8¾	9	+ ¼
24⅜	12⅞	900	Oxhandler	23⅜	23⅛	23⅜	+ ⅛
3	2	100	North Butte	2½	2½	2½	..
26⅜	25⅜	3,500	Patino Mines & Eni	25⅞	25½	25⅝	— ⅛
28c	7c	3,500	Plymouth Lead	11c	9c	11c	+ 1c
6c	2c	1,000	Spear Head Gold	3c	3c	3c	— 1c
10c	3c	3,000	Standard Silver Lead	14c	14c	14c	— 2c
5⅛	2⅛	1,600	Teck Hughes (60c)	5¼	5⅛	5⅛	+ ⅛
50c	30c	100	United Eastern	50c	50c	50c	..
33	23½	200	United Verde Extension (3)	24½	24½	24½	— ⅛
1⅝	4⅜	200	Utah Apex (1)	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	— ⅛
3⅜	2⅛	500	Wendell Copper	3	2⅞	2⅞	— ⅛

BONDS (In $1,000 Lots).

80½	70⅜	9	Allied Packers 8s, 1939	73	73	73	..
80	61½	5	Do 6s, 1938	63	63	63	+ ½
107⅛	105¼	1	Aluminum 7s, 1933	105¾	105¾	105¾	..
102⅜	98	12	Amer Gas & Elec 6s, B, 2014	102	101⅞	101⅞	+ ⅛
105	95	5	Amer Power & Light 6s, 2016	101	100¾	100¾	+ ⅛
101	100	1	American Smelting Mill 6s, '38	101	101	101	..
103⅜	97½	3	American Sugar Refining 6s, 1930	102¾	102¾	102¾	+ ⅛
103⅜	101½	2	American Thread 6s, 1928	102	102	102	..
85⅜	77½	5	Amer Writing Paper 6s, 1947	83	83	83	— ⅛
107⅜	101⅞	2	Anaconda 6s, 1929	101⅞	101⅞	101⅞	..
97⅜	94½	5	Appalachian Power 5s, 1956	95¾	95¾	95¾	..
105	92½	10	Asso Gas & Electric 6s, 1955	102¼	102¼	102¼	— ⅛
98	95	14	Associated Hardware 6½s, 1933	97½	97½	97½	..
102¼	101	20	Beacon Oil 6s, 1939	102¼	102	102¼	+ ⅛
103¼	99½	2	Bell Tel of Canada 5s, 1955	101¼	101¼	101¼	..
97⅜	91¼	8	Bethlehem Steel & Equip 7½s, '53	95	95	95	— ⅛
97¼	95⅜	6	Canadian Pac 4½s, 1946, w i	96	95⅜	95⅞	— ⅛
114½	110	1	Canadian National 7s, 1935	111½	111½	111½	..
101⅜	97⅜	2	Carolina Pow & Light 5s, 1956	100	100	100	..
106⅛	100	7	Cities Service 7s, D, 1966	122⅜	122⅜	122⅜	..
99⅜	91⅛	46	Do 6s, 1960	98⅜	98	98⅜	..
108	106	2	Con Gas, Electric Light & Pow of Balt 5s, 1949	107¼	107¼	107¼	— ⅛
103½	101⅛	10	Do 5s, F, 1965, new	102¾	102½	102¾	+ ⅛
100¼	97	1	Consol Company 6s, A, 1929	97	97	97	..
107¼	104⅜	1	Detroit City Gas 6s, A, 1947	107	107	107	..
105½	100⅜	7	Duke Price 6s, A, 1966	104⅜	104⅜	104⅜	..
101⅝	98	10	Eastern Terminal O B New York City 6½s, 1943	99	99	99	..
98⅜	95⅜	4	Flak Rubber 7s, 1931	98	97⅜	98	..
98⅜	94⅛	11	Florida Power & Light 5s, 1954	93½	93⅛	93⅜	..
105¼	103	1	Gair (Robt) 1st mtg 7s, 1937	104	104	104	..
104	80½	1	Galena Signal Oil 7s, 1930	92½	92½	92½	..
98⅜	94⅜	13	Gulf Oil of Pa 5s, 1937	96	95⅞	96	..
99½	95⅜	3	Goodyear Tire & Rub 5s, 1928	97⅜	97⅜	97⅜	..
105⅜	103⅜	3	Hood Rubber 7s, 1936	103⅜	103⅜	103⅜	..
98¾	97½	6	Do 5½s, 1936	97½	97½	97½	— ⅛
105⅜	103⅜	1	Indiana Limestone 6s, 1941	103⅜	103⅜	103⅜	..
98⅜	97⅛	8	Indiana Power & Light 6s, '36-'1	97⅛	97⅛	97⅛	— ⅛
128⅜	107	1	Interstate Nat Gas 6s, 1936	121⅝	121⅝	121⅝	— 1½
97⅜	94½	1	Inter Nat Gs 6s,36, w'out war	101½	101½	101½	— ⅛
97⅜	94½	10	Inter Great Northern 5s, 1956	97½	97½	97½	— ⅛
98⅜	95⅜	5	Jeddo Highld Coal 6s, '41, w i	102	102	102	— ⅛
95⅛	93	5	Jeddo Highld Coal 2d 6s, 2026	95½	95	95	..
105	103¼	2	Lehigh Pow Sec 6s, 1951	104¾	104¾	104¾	..
98⅜	94⅜	7	Manitoba Power 5½s, 1951	98⅜	98	98⅜	— ⅛
104⅜	103⅜	1	Massachusetts Gas 5½s, 1940	103⅜	103⅜	103⅜	..
100⅜	98⅜	3	Midwest Gas 7s, A, 1936, w i	100	100	100	..
99⅜	98⅜	25	Montreal L H & P 5s, '51, A	99½	99¼	99¼	..
99⅜	97⅜	5	National Pow & Lt 6s, 2026, A	99	99	99	..
98⅜	97⅜	10	New Orleans Pub Serv 5s, 1955	97⅜	97⅜	97⅜	..
98⅜	98⅜	3	N Y Trap Rock 6s, '46, w i	98⅜	98⅜	98⅜	..
98⅜	97⅜	3	Ohio Power 4½s, 1956, D	85⅜	85⅜	85⅜	— ⅛
101⅛	94	1	Do 5s, 1952, ser B	97½	97¼	97¼	..
98⅜	97⅜	8	Pan-Am Pet & Trans 6s, 1940	103¼	103¼	103¼	..
101⅜	99⅜	5	Penn Public Serv 5s, 1932	98⅜	97⅜	98⅜	+ ⅛
108⅜	105⅜	1	Philadelphia Electric 5½s, '47	106⅜	106⅜	106⅜	— ⅛
106⅜	104⅜	5	Do 5s, 1941	106⅜	106⅜	106⅜	..
103⅜	100⅜	24	Phila Elec Power 5½s, 1972	102⅜	102⅜	102⅜	+ ⅛
103⅜	100⅜	5	Phila Rapid Tr 6s, 1962	103⅜	103⅜	103⅜	..
105	103⅜	5	Richfield Oil 6s, A, 1941	99	99	99	..
99⅜	91⅛	1	Schulte R E 6s,'35, w com stk	93⅜	93⅜	93⅜	— ⅛
103⅜	100⅜	32	Serv-el Corporation 6s, 1931	80	78	79	+ 1
99⅜	97⅛	4	Southern Calif Edison 5s, 1951	98⅛	98⅛	98⅛	— ⅛
99⅜	97⅜	4	Southern Calif Gas 6s, 2025	99⅛	99⅛	99⅛	— ⅛
95⅜	85	18	Great Cons Elec 6½s, 1950	94⅜	93⅜	93⅜	..
96½	92½	2	Hamburg State 6s, 1946, w i	95¼	95	95¼	+ ⅛
102	98	13	Hamburg Elec 7s, 1935	101⅜	101⅜	101⅜	..
99½	95	4	Hung Land Mtg In 7½s,'61, A	98	97¾	97¾	— ⅛
93⅜	93⅛	8	Hung Con M L 7s, 1946, w i	93⅜	93⅜	93⅜	+ ⅛
103⅜	99⅜	2	Mortg Bank of Denmark 6s, '70	100½	100½	100½	..
99⅜	91½	10	Ming Mill 7s, 1936	95¾	95¾	95¾	..
100⅛	96⅜	31	Penn Gas & Elec 5s, 1956	100	100	100	..
99⅜	95

HOLIDAY DULLNESS SETTLES ON WHEAT

Little Interest Is Taken in the Market by the Trade and Prices Are Unsettled.

TRADERS AWAIT NEW YEAR

Corn and Oats Are Inactive and the Markets Are Devoid of Features.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Wheat prices held within a range of ¾ to 1 cent, with December again showing a heavy undertone, as cash grain delivered on contracts early in the month continue to come out rather freely through commission houses. The finish was ⅜ cent lower to ¼ cent higher, with December ½ cent under the May, against ⅝ cent on Thursday. Little interest was taken in the market by the trade, with a moderate amount of evening up for over the holiday.

Broomhall's Argentine agent has raised his estimate on the exportable surplus 9,000,000 bushels over his recently revised figures to a total of 166,000,000 bushels, compared with 79,000,000 bushels actually cleared so far this season. Buenos Aires closed 1 cent lower, while Liverpool was off ¼ to ⅝ pence, while Winnipeg was ⅛ cent lower to ¼ cent higher.

Commission houses and local traders were not inclined to take a decided stand on either side of the market, preferring to await developments over the holiday before expressing an opinion. A relatively light trade in futures is anticipated until after the turn of the year, with probably erratic price fluctuations in the meantime. Little attention is being paid to routine developments in the news.

A Kansas City cash handler who was here today estimated that there is around 30 per cent. of the wheat crop back in farmers' hands in Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska, or about 78,000,000 bushels, which may start to move in case of any moderate upturn in futures. The tendency to raise estimates on the Argentine crop is attracting attention, as the gain in the Southern Hemisphere during the last few weeks more than offsets the reduction in the Northern Hemisphere.

All American markets will be closed Saturday, as will Buenos Aires and Winnipeg, but will reopen Monday, while Liverpool will be closed Saturday and Monday, and no export demand is regarded as likely to develop.

Primary arrivals of wheat today, 70,000 bushels; week ago, 729,000; last year, holiday. Shipments, 499,000; week ago, 571,000.

Corn and oats closed unchanged to ⅛ cent lower, with the December deliveries showing the most decline. Trade was small, and the markets devoid of features. Sentiment continues generally bearish, with the pit element inclined to sell on all the moderate upturns, and, taken as a whole, the technical position is regarded as gradually weakening.

Primary arrivals of corn today, 1,-83,000 bushels; week ago, 850,000. Shipments, 322,000; week ago, 392,000.

Rye showed independent strength, largely to a lack of pressure, and with a little short covering in the December the finish was ⅛ to ½ cent higher.

Chicago.

Chicago prices for the principal grains were as follows:

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.	Year.
Dec.	1.38⅝	1.40	1.38	1.39⅝	1.40¼	1.70⅝
May	1.40¼	1.40¾	1.39¾	1.40¼	1.40⅝	1.66⅝
July	1.32	1.32½	1.31⅜	1.32¼	1.32¼	1.47⅞

CORN.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Year.
Dec.	.73¼	.73¼	.72⅝	.72⅝	.73¼	.73⅝
May	.81⅛	.81⅛	.81⅛	.81¼	.81⅛	.79⅝
July	.84⅛	.84⅛	.84¼	.84¼	.84⅛	.81

OATS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Year.
Dec.	.45⅝	.46¼	.45⅝	.45⅞	.45⅞	.39⅝
May	.50	.50⅛	.49⅝	.50¼	.50	.43⅝
July	.48¼	.48¼	.48	.48¼	.48¼	.44⅝

RYE.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Year.
Dec.	.94	.94⅝	.94	.94⅛	.94	.92¼
May	1.00¼	1.00¼	1.00	1.00¼	1.00¼	1.00¼
July	.98⅛	.98⅛	.98¼	.98⅛	.98⅛	..

PROVISIONS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Year.
Lard—						
Dec.	....	....	....	12.45	12.15	14.10
Jan.	12.55	12.55	12.35	12.50	12.25	13.85
March	12.52	12.65	12.52	12.65	12.35	13.80
May	12.90	12.80	12.60	12.80	12.47	13.80
July	12.85	12.90	12.85	12.87	12.62	....
Ribs—						
Jan.	....	....	....	13.95	13.65	....
May	13.75	13.97	13.75	13.97	13.67	....
Dry Salted Bellies—						
May	....	....	....	15.00	14.75	....

Minneapolis.

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Year.
Dec.	1.41⅞	1.41⅞	1.41¼	1.41⅝	1.41⅞	1.67⅛
May	1.42⅛	1.42⅛	1.42	1.42¼	1.42⅜	1.67⅛
July	1.40⅝	1.40⅝	1.40⅞	1.40⅞	1.40⅝	....

Winnipeg.

Today's Winnipeg prices for the principal grains were as follows:

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Year.
Dec.	1.32⅝	1.32⅝	1.32¼	1.32½	1.32⅝	1.53⅝
May	1.35¼	1.35¼	1.32⅝	1.33⅝	1.35⅛	1.50⅝
July	1.35	1.35¼	1.34⅛	1.35¼	1.35¼	1.50⅛

OATS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Year.
Dec.	.56⅜	.56⅝	.56¼	.56¼	.56¼	.46⅛
May	.59⅝	.59⅞	.58⅝	.58⅝	.58⅞	.49⅝
July	.57⅝	.57⅞	.57¼	.57¼	.57⅝	.49⅝

Cash prices for the principal grains at Chicago follow: Wheat, No. 2 hard, 1.43⅝; No. 3 hard, 1.35⅝@1.36. Corn, No. 2 yellow, .75½; No. 2 mixed, .74½. Oats, No. 2 white, .51@.54; No. 3 white, .48@.48. Rye, No. 2, 1.08¾.

Cash prices at other markets: Minneapolis—Wheat, No. 1 Northern, $1.42⅝@1.44⅝; Durum, $1.42⅝@1.44⅝. Kansas City—Wheat, No. 2 hard, $1.36@1.39; Thursday, $1.36¼@1.39½.

WHEAT TRADING QUIET HERE.

Early Drop Is Steadied by Short Covering for Holidays.

Wheat futures on the New York Produce Exchange reflected the holiday yesterday. Trade was quiet and the market steady over a narrow range. Prices sold off ⅝ cent early, with lower cables and scattered selling on heaviness in the West. Small export demand and bearish foreign news also exerted an influence. Short covering for over the holidays, however, steadied the market, prices closing unchanged to ⅜ cent lower.

Winnipeg again showed independent firmness. Liverpool and Argentina were easier, although there were rains in parts of the Argentine wheat belt on Thursday. Australian exports were larger at 2,064,000 bushels, but the Argentine shipped only 38,000 bushels during the week.

New York Future Prices.

Buffalo Delivery.

WHEAT (Domestic).

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close.	Prev.
Dec.	....	....	....	....	1.41¾	....
May	....	....	....	1.41¾	1.41¾	1.44¾
July	....	....	....	....	1.37	....

WHEAT (Bonded)

May	....	....	....	1.40½	1.40⅝	1.40⅝

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

Small Price Changes in Dull Holiday Trading—Franc Sags to French Bank Rate.

Business in the foreign exchanges yesterday fell under the spell of the holiday season, the turnover being small and the fluctuations meaningless. So far as local interest was concerned, this terminated with the arrival of the closing cables from abroad. Dealers foresee very little action and no wide movements from now on, as houses generally are cleaned up on their accounts for the year.

Sterling continued firm around $4.84⅛ while the French franc dropped fractionally to 3.95¾ cents, which approximates the French bank's stabilization point. Comment in trading circles was that it was devised as a help to French merchants who had been beset by the recent erratic fluctuations. Norwegian krone moved up 4 points to 25.27 cents, in response to the announcement of the return to gold standard by the Danish Government, but the latter unit was unchanged at 26.63 cents. Spanish, German, Holland and Swiss descriptions were all firm. Far Easterns and South Americans were irregular.

FRIDAY, DEC. 24, 1926.

Range of Rates, Sight Exchange.

	High.	Low.	Final.	Thursday's Final.
LONDON	$4.84⅛	$4.84⅛	$4.84⅛	$4.84⅛
PARIS	3.97	3.95⅛	3.95¾	3.96½
ROME	4.51⅝	4.49¾	4.49¾	4.50⅜
BRUSSELS	13.90½	13.90½	13.90½	13.90½
COPENH'GEN.	26.64	26.63	26.63	26.63
OSLO	25.30	25.25	25.27	25.33
STOCKHOLM	26.73	26.72	26.73	26.73

Closing Rates.

In the subjoined table the quotation on sterling represents dollars and decimals of a dollar; all others represent cents and decimals of a cent. Quotations preceded by the decimal mark indicate a price measured in fractions of a cent.

EUROPE.

	Friday.	Thursday.	Week Ago.	Year Ago.
STERLING—Par $4.86⅝ per sovereign.				
Demand	$4.84⅛	$4.84⅛	$4.84⅛	4.84⅝
Cables	4.85⅛	4.85⅛	4.85⅛	4.85⅞
Com., 60 days	4.80¾	4.80¾	4.80⅛	4.80¾
Com., 90 days	4.78⅞	4.78⅞	4.78⅛	4.78⅝
FRANCE—Par 19.3 cents per franc.				
Demand	3.95⅜	3.96¼	3.99½	3.67
Cables	3.96⅜	3.97⅛	4.00¼	3.67⅛
ITALY—Par 19.3 cents per lira.				
Demand	4.49¼	4.50⅜	4.47¼	4.03⅝
Cables	4.51⅛	4.51½	4.48	4.04⅛
BELGIUM—Par 13.904 cents per belga.				
Demand	13.90¼	13.90½	13.90¼	14.53
Cables	13.91½	13.91½	13.91½	14.53½
GERMANY—Par 23.8 cents per mark.				
Demand	23.83	23.83	23.80	23.81
Cables	23.84	23.84	23.81	23.81
AUSTRIA—Par 14.07 cents per schilling.				
Demand	14.125	14.125	14.125	14.125
Cables	14.125	14.125	14.125	14.125
CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Par 20.3 cents per crown.				
Demand	2.96	2.96	2.96	2.96⅛
Cables	2.96	2.96	2.96	2.96⅛
DENMARK—Par 26.8 cents per krone.				
Demand	26.63	26.63	26.63	24.80
Cables	26.65	26.65	26.65	24.82
FINLAND—Par 2.5185 cents per finmark.				
Demand	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.52¼
Cables	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.52¾
GREECE—Par 19.3 cents per drachma.				
Demand	1.25	1.25	1.24¾	1.20
Cables	1.25½	1.25¼	1.24¾	1.20½
HOLLAND—Par 40.2 cents per florin.				
Demand	39.98½	39.98	39.98	40.17
Cables	40.00½	40.00	40.00	40.19
HUNGARY—Par 20.3 cents per crown.				
Demand	.00¼	.00¼	.00¼	.00¼
Cables	.00¼	.00¼	.00¼	.00¼
NORWAY—Par 26.8 cents per krone.				
Demand	25.27	25.25	25.23	20.30
Cables	25.27	25.25	25.25	20.32
POLAND—Par 19.3 cents per zloty.				
Demand	12.00	12.00	11.50	11.00
Cables	12.00	12.00	11.50	11.00
PORTUGAL—Par $1.0805 per escudo.				
Demand	5.17	5.17	5.15	5.15
Cables	5.18	5.18	5.17	5.20
RUMANIA—Par 19.3 cents per leu.				
Demand	.53½	.53¼	.52	.46¼
Cables	.53½	.53¼	.52	.46¼
SPAIN—Par 19.3 cents per peseta.				
Demand	15.26	15.25	15.24	14.15
Cables	15.27	15.26	15.25	14.16
SWEDEN—Par 26.8 cents per krona.				
Demand	26.73	26.72	26.72	26.83
Cables	26.75	26.73	26.74	26.85
SWITZERLAND—Par 19.3 cents per franc.				
Demand	19.32½	19.33	19.33½	19.31
Cables	19.33¼	19.34	19.34½	19.32
YUGOSLAVIA—Par 19.3 cents per dinar.				
Demand	1.76½	1.76¼	1.76¼	1.77¼
Cables	1.76½	1.76¼	1.76¼	1.77¼

*Cents per franc; 1 belga equivalent to 5 paper francs.

Far East.

CHINA—Cents per silver dollar for Hongkong; per tael for Shanghai and Peking.

Hongkong—				
Demand	48.00	48.38	48.13	58.63
Cables	48.12	48.50	48.25	58.75
Peking—				
Demand	62.50	62.50	62.50	79.75
Shanghai—				
Demand	59.00	59.25	59.25	73.88
Cables	59.12	59.37	59.37	76.00

INDIA—Calcutta; Cents per rupee, nominally stabilized at one-tenth of a pound sterling.

Demand	36.25	36.25	36.04	36.69
Cables	36.31	36.31	36.00	36.75

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—Manila; Par 50 cents per silver peso.

Demand	49.75	49.75	49.75	50.125
Cables	49.87	49.87	49.875	50.25

JAVA—Par 40.2 cents per florin.

Demand	40.125	40.125	40.125	40.25

JAPAN—Par 49.8 cents per yen.

Demand	48.78	48.71	48.83	43.13
Cables	48.87	48.81	48.93	43.25

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS—Par 56.78 cents per dollar.

Demand	56.25	56.25	56.25	57.00
Cables	56.37	56.37	56.37	57.25

South America.

ARGENTINA—Par 42.44 cents per Argentine paper dollar.

Demand	41.31	41.25	41.18	41.37
Cables	41.43	41.37	41.31	41.50

BRAZIL—Par 32.45 cents per paper milreis.

Demand	11.81	11.81	11.87	14.25
Cables	11.87	11.87	11.93	14.31

COLOMBIA—Par 97.33 cents per gold peso.

Demand	97.68	97.68	97.68	58.60

CHILE—Par 12.165 cents per gold peso.

Demand	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.11
Cables	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.16

PERU—Par $4.8665 per pound.

Demand	3.58	3.56	3.57	3.92
Cables	3.59	3.57	3.58	3.93

URUGUAY—Par $1.0342 per gold peso.

Demand	102.12	102.12	102.62	102.12
Cables	102.37	102.37	102.87	102.37

Canada.

MONTREAL—Par 100 cents per Canadian dollar.

Demand	99.92	99.93	99.875	99.93

Mexico.

MEXICO CITY—Par 49.85 cents per gold peso.

Demand	46.80	46.85	46.75	48.05

Russian Currency.

Prices for pre-revolution Russian ruble notes were as follows:

	Bid.	Asked
Par 51.40 cents per ruble.		
100-ruble notes	.05	.05¾
500-ruble notes	.02¾	.03¾

FOREIGN STOCK MARKETS.

Paris Steady, London Firm—Sterling Rises at Paris.

LONDON, Dec. 24—Gilt-edge securities were firm on the Stock Exchange today; oils were firm and British industrials were quiet and steady. Old 2½ per cent. consols ⅛ higher, at 54⅛; British 5 per cent. war loan unchanged, at 100½; 4½ per cent. war loan ⅛ higher, at 94⅛.

De Beers Mining ⅝ higher, at 17⅞; Rand Mines unchanged, at 3⅛; London, Midland & Scottish Railways Consolidated shares 1⅛ higher, at 75.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Prices were improving on the Bourse today. Three per cent. rentes 10 centimes lower, at 53 francs 40 centimes; 5 per cent. war loan 3 centimes lower, at 59 francs 97 centimes.

Exchange on London 12½ centimes higher, at 122 francs 37½ centimes. The American dollar was quoted at 25 francs 21½ centimes, against 25 francs 19 centimes yesterday.

COTTON PRICES HOLD TO NARROW LIMITS

Final Trading Maintains December Contracts 65 Points Over January.

LOCAL STOCK IS INCREASED

Rise in Visible Supply Is Smaller Than Had Been Counted On by Trade.

Final December cotton operations held prices 65 points over January until trading ceased at noon yesterday with a price of 13.10. Demand for cotton maintained quotations in the balance of the list within narrow limits and closing prices showed a gain of 1 to 5 points on the old crop, compared with a loss of 2 points on October. Owing to the holiday today and uncertainty over the extent of deliveries on the January position Monday, the volume of business proved the smallest of the week, and similar conditions prevailed on the New Orleans Exchange. According to advices to the Department of Agriculture, the Indian crop is estimated at 4,269,000, as against 4,660,000 last year, in bales of 478 pounds.

The process of supplying the eleventh-hour demand for December was attended with the purchase of an equal quantity of January as owners of the local stock released contracts. This buying of January decreased the January premium to 20 points under March at one time, as against 25 points earlier in the week. Additional buying of the near month came from interests that pursue a policy of covering immediately preceding notice day in an active position and while speculative liquidation is in progress. Holders of January who do not intend to accept deliveries and take up the cotton sold their contracts and replaced with distant months.

Further additions were made to the local certificated stock, bringing the total to 98,500, while the New Orleans contract stock exceeds 86,000. As it costs between 26 and 29 points to carry cotton from January to March, relations between the two positions will be determined by the degree of anxiety of various spot firms to control a certain amount of the cotton now here for the purpose of protecting hedges in the market.

The feature of week-end figures was the moderate increase in visible supply compared with recent large additions and the fact that the gain was only 14,000 more than a year ago. The total visible, while establishing a new high record of 7,142,000, gained less than 100,000 for the first week since the heavy marketing movement began. Spinners took 443,000, against 384,000 last year, making the total for the season 7,511,000, as against 7,199,000 a year ago.

Yesterday's quotations follow:

CLOSED AT NOON.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Previous Day.
Dec.	13.07	13.11	13.02	13.10-11	13.02-03
Jan.	12.41	12.47	12.39	12.42-44	12.37-39
March	12.66	12.68	12.61	12.66-68	12.61-63
May	12.82	12.86	12.80	12.84-86	12.80-82
July	13.01	13.07	12.98	13.02-04	13.01-02
Oct.	13.22	13.25	13.16	13.19	13.21-22

The local market for spot cotton was quiet, 10 points decline at 12.95c for middling upland.

Southern spot markets were: Galveston 12.50c, 5 points up; sales 756 bales. New Orleans 12.47c, unchanged; sales 2,118. Savannah 12c, unchanged; no sales. Augusta 11.94c, unchanged; sales 535. Memphis 12c, unchanged; sales 2,450. Houston 12.45c, unchanged; sales 4,299. Little Rock 11.90c, unchanged; sales 3,675. Dallas, 11.65c, 5 points up; sales 7,743.

Yesterday's cotton statistics were:

	Yesterday.	Last Week.	Last Year.
Port receipts	32,500	93,604	Holiday
Exports	30,439	132,493	Holiday
Exports, season	5,223,516	4,942,632	Holiday
New York stocks	133,133	110,874	Holiday
Ports stocks	2,008,812	2,944,542	Holiday
New York arrivals	844	400	Holiday

Liverpool cables: Spot cotton quiet, 3 point advance to 6.81d for middling. Sales 6,000, American 4,000. Futures opened quiet, 4 to 7 points advance. Closed steady, 1 to 4 points advance. Prices: Dec. 6.61d, Jan. 6.64d, March 6.75d, May 6.87d, July 6.98d, Oct. 7.06d.

TOBACCO MERGER REPORTED

Porto Rican Company Said to Have Closed Deal for Congress.

Negotiations were reported to have been closed yesterday for the purchase of the Congress Cigar Company, Inc., by the Porto Rican Tobacco Company. It is understood that new financing will be arranged in connection with the acquisition.

The Congress Cigar Company, Inc. was organized last January to take over the Pennsylvania corporation of the same name, which has its main factories in Philadelphia and other plants in Camden, Wilmington, Bethlehem and Baltimore. Its stock, originally offered at $40 a share by Goldman, Sachs & Co., closed yesterday at 54⅝ on the New York Stock Exchange, where it has sold as high as 56½ this year. The company has no funded debt and has authorized and outstanding 350,000 shares of no par value common stock. Its net earnings after all charges in 1925, the last full year for which figures are available, were $1,731,750.

The Porto Rican Tobacco Company has large interests, both in Porto Rico and in this country. There have been numerous reports recently that Congress Cigar would figure in a merger, but the Porto Rican company had not hitherto figured in the discussions. It is understood that $60 a share is being paid for control of the Congress company.

GROWERS PLEDGING COTTON

Alabama Association Lending From $25,000 to $100,000 Daily.

Special to The New York Times.

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 24.—With credit of $10,000,000 from the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank in New Orleans the Alabama Farm Bureau Cotton Association is advancing money to its members on cotton delivered at the rate of $25.000 to $100,000 daily, John H. Kernachan, President; Allen Northington, general manager, and Harry S. Houghton, Treasurer, have announced.

The money is being lent at 4½ per cent. per annum for six months, with the understanding that loans may be renewed for twelve or eighteen months or more, if necessary, for marketing cotton to the best advantage.

In addition to the $10,000,000 the association is obtaining funds from banks in Alabama, New York, Atlanta, Jacksonville and other cities.

Railroad Returns Conscience Gift.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 24 (AP).—A former "knight of the road" played the rôle of Santa Claus today by sending a check for $12.45 to pay for a ride stolen years ago on a Colorado & Southern Railroad train. The former "hobo," who is studying for the ministry, said he wished to clear his conscience. Judging that his financial condition had not been of the best, the company returned the check.

PRODUCE MARKETS

Dairy Products.

BUTTER—Receipts: 8,991 packages. Continued free buying, with a little speculative demand and the close clearance of stock, gave the market a stronger tone. Prices recovered ½c on top qualities. Creamery, higher than extras, pound, 52¾@53¼c; extras, 92 score, 52@52½c; firsts, 45½@51½c; seconds, 42@44c; lower grades, 40@41c; centralized, cars, 90 score, 48c; 89 score, 46¼@46½c; Argentine, barrel, 39@40c; Australian, 41¾@43½c; unsalted, higher than extras, 54½@55c; extras, 92 score, 53½@54c; firsts, 46@52½c; seconds, 45@45c; held creamery, high scoring, 51c; extras, 92 score, 49½@49¾c; seconds, 41@43½c; held centralized cars, 90 score, 47c; 89 score, 45¾@45½c; renovated, 38@39c; ladies, current make, extras, 54½@55c; firsts, 52@52½c; seconds, 47½@50c; lower grades, 40@42c; packing stock, current make, No. 1, 27½@27¾c; No. 2, 26c; lower grades, 20@25c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 108,527 pounds. Market steady to firm; fresh quiet. New York State flats, held, fancy, pound, 27@28c; fresh, average run, 25@26c; Wisconsin, single Daisies, fresh, 26½c; Young Americas, 26¼@27c; flats, fresh, 26@26½c.

EGGS—Receipts, 22,634 cases. Market steady to firm for desirable qualities of Western fresh. Refrigerators quiet, but held steady. Extras, dozen, 54@56c; extra firsts, 49@52c; firsts, 44@47c; seconds, 41@43c; undergrades, 35@40c; held eggs, as to quality, 35@42c; mediums, 35@40c; dirties, No. 1, 38@39c; No. 2 and poorer, 33@37c; checks, No. 1, 30@32c; Jersey specials, fancy, selected, $1.50@3.50; drum, $2@7.50. Cabbage, State, bag, $1.15@1.65; Danish, ton, $30@33; nearby red, crate, $1.75@2; barrel or bag, $2.25@2.75; near-by Savoy, barrel, $1.50@1.75; Florida, basket, $1.75; imported red, basket or crate, $2.50@3; white, basket or crate, $1.75@1.85. Carrots, State and Jersey, bag, $1.15@1.50. Southern, basket, $1.25@1.50; crate, $2.50; Bermuda, crate, 75c. Cardoni, California, crate, $3.50@4.50. Cauliflowers, Long Island, crate, $1@4; Western, crate, $2@2.50. Celery, hearts, dozen, 75c@$1.40; near-by, bunch, 25@90c; two-third crate, $1.25@2.50; Western, iced, crate, $3@5.50. Chicory, Louisiana, barrel, $3; Southern, basket, $1@1.25. California, crate, $1.25@2.75. Chicory root, Jersey, basket, $1.50@2. Cukes, Florida, crate, $1.25@4.25. Eggplants, Florida, crate, $1.25@5.25. Endive, Belgian, pound, 10@20c. Escarol, Southern, basket, $1@1.25; barrel, 75c@$2.50. Garlic, California, 100 pounds, $4@5; Italian, 100 pounds, $1.50@4.50. Horseradish, St. Louis, barrel, $5.50@7; German, basket, $1@2. Kale, Long Island, barrel, 75c@$1; Virginia, barrel, $1.25. Leeks, near-by, 100 bunches, $2@5. Lettuce, Florida, basket, $1@1.75; Western, iced, crate, 25c@$3.50. Onions, State, yellow, 100 pounds, $2@2.25; red, $1.75; Orange County, yellow, $2@2.75; Western, large, white, $1.50@2.75; boilers, $1.50@5; yellow, bag, $2@3; Spanish, case, $1.75@4.25; half-case, $1.50@2.25; crate, 65c@$1.50; Parsley, Louisiana, barrel, $4@5; Texas, basket, $1@1.25; California, crate, $2.50@3.50; drum, $3@3.50; Bermuda, crate, $3. Parsnips, near-by, barrel, $3.25@4; basket, $1@1.50. Peas, Southern, basket, $2 @4. Peppers, Florida, crate, $2.50@4; Cuba and Isle of Pines, crate, $2@3.25. Rhubarb, California, box, $2.75. Romaine, Southern, basket, $1@1.50. Shallots, Louisiana, barrel, $3@3.50. Spinach, Norfolk, $1@1.50; Virginia, basket, 40@75c; barrel, 75c@$1.75; Texas, basket, 25@75c. Squash, Jersey barrel, $4@5; Florida, crate, $1@4.50. Tomatoes, Mexico, lug, $2.50@4.50; Texas, lug, 65c@$3; Nassau, crate, $4@8; repacked, crate, $7.50@11; half-crate, $3.75@5.50; 10 pounds, $3@3.50. Turnips, near-by, white, basket, $1@1.25; barrel, $2.75@3.25; Canadian rutabagas, bag, $1.50@2.10. Watercress, 100 bunches, $1.50@2.50.

HOTHOUSE—Mushrooms, 5 pounds, 35c@$1.40. Rhubarb, Canada, box, $3. Tomatoes, Ohio, 10 pounds, $3@4.50.

BEANS AND PEAS—Beans, marrow, choice, domestic, 100 pounds, $7; imported, $6.25@6.50; pea, domestic, $5.75@6; Rumanian, $5.25@5.50; red kidney, domestic, new, $9.50; white kidney, imported, $6.75@7; lima, California, $7. Lentils, Chile, $6@6.25. Peas, Scotch, domestic, $4.50@4.75; black eye, California, $5.50@5.75; splits, yellow, domestic, $6.25; green, $6; Canada, green, $5.50@5.75; $8.50@8.75; large, $5.25@5.50; small, $3.75 @4; Algeria, monster, $7.25@7.50; large, $5 @5.25.

Poultry.

DRESSED—Chickens steady for fancy, but ordinary grades dull and irregular. Fowls steady for small, but large sizes weak. Old ducks dull. Capons firm for large. Turkeys firmer for toms, but hens weak. Ducks steady. Geese firm. Frozen pullets held firmly. Frozen fowls dull. Frozen Long Island ducks firm. Chickens, broilers, near by, 25@36c; Virginia, 25@40c; Western, dry-picked, 25@36c; fowls, 24@32c; Western, frozen, 30@47c; fryers, near by, 25@36c; Virginia and Tennessee, 24@31c; Western, boxes, 25@40c; bbls., 28@28c; roasters, near by, 25@38c; Virginia and Tennessee, 25@35c; Western, dry, boxes, 30@36c; bbls., 29@29c; 34c; stags, boxes, 22@28c; bbls., 21@27c fowls, Western, boxes, fresh, 20@34c; old cocks, fresh, 18@24c; capons, Western, fresh, 30@40c; turkeys, State, Pennsylvania and near by, young, 48@51c; Delaware and Maryland, 48@53c; Virginia and West Virginia, 48@51c; fair to good, 42@46c; Northwestern, 47@50c; Western, 41@44c; Southern and Southwestern, 42@48c; fair to good, 42½ 45c; old toms, 40@43c; old hens, 41@45c; common, all sections, 36@40c; ducks, Long Island, fresh, 32@34c; frozen, 32@33c; Maryland, 25@30c; Western, 24@34c; geese, Western, 20@29c; Maryland, 20@30c; guineas, young, pair, $1@$1.75; old, pair, 75c@$1; squabs, No. 1, white, pound, 60@85c; pigeons, pair, 40@45c.

LIVE—Of the 27 cars in yesterday about 32 cars were unloaded. Fowls had fair sale. Chickens sold well. Old roosters in free supply. Ducks and geese met a ready demand. No settled prices prevailed on turkeys.

FREIGHT—Fowls, fancy heavy, 28@29c; light to medium, 27c; leghorn, 23c; chickens, colored, average, 27c; leghorn, 22; broilers, Plymouth Rock, 32@34c; rocks, 28@29c; roosters, 14c; turkeys, 25@35c; ducks, 29c; geese, partly fatted, 25c; average run, 23c.

EXPRESS—Fowls, colored, 27@30c; leghorn, 22@25c; chickens, colored, 27@29c; leghorn, 22@24c; broilers, 40c; pullets, 28@ 30c; capons, 40@45c; ducks, Long Island, spring, 35c; other near by, 28@30c; turkeys, 35@38c; pigeons, pair, 40c; squabs, pair, 50c; jumbo, pair, $1.25@$1.50; guineas, pair, 80c; rabbits, pound, 32@35c.

Other Products.

HAY AND STRAW—There were twelve cars of hay at Thirty-third Street yard yesterday morning. Trading slow on account of the holidays and prices remained unchanged. Hay, timothy and light mixtures, No. 3 and poorer to No. 1, large bales, ton, $20@27; alfalfa, California, second cutting, $37@39; straw, rye, No. 1, $25.

HOPS—Very limited trading and market without new features. State, 1926, choice, pound, 61@63c; common to prime, 50@60c; Pacific Coast, 1926, choice, 59@60c; common to prime, 25@28c; 1925, choice, 25@26c; older growths, 15@18c.

RAILROADS CRITICIZED FOR MANUFACTURING

Railway Car Association Charges That Building of Equipment Increases Operating Costs.

Railroads are diverting some of their energies and resources to the development of manufacturing facilities, with the result that their cost of operation is increased, according to a memorandum prepared by the American Railway Car Institute and laid before the Presidents of many of the important carriers.

Since war-time operation of the railroads by the United States Government ceased and they were returned to private management, it is said, there has been an increasing tendency on the part of the roads to do more and more building and rebuilding of their own equipment. This situation is opposed strenuously by leading equipment manufacturers.

The Pennsylvania, the Louisville & Nashville and the Philadelphia & Reading are active in the building of their own locomotives. Of 300 locomotives recently ordered by the Pennsylvania, it is said, one-third are to be built in the company's own shops.

Some of the railroads contend that because their shops are established they can do the work more cheaply than the equipment companies can do it and that they do not have the same overhead costs. The equipment manufacturers assert that they do not recognize all their overhead in estimating expenses.

So highly competitive has the car-building business become, the equipment men say, that the railroads have been able at times to get their new equipment at actual cost. After a score of years, they argue, the general trend of prosperity has enabled the railroads to earn something for their stockholders, and manufacturing, instead of confining themselves to transportation, will retard rather than advance this prosperity.

NEW INCORPORATIONS

New York Charters.

Special to The New York Times.

ALBANY, Dec. 24.—Forty-eight new corporations with an aggregate capitalization of $738,000 were chartered today. They include:

MANHATTAN.

Parsons Construction Corp., $15,000; H. and D. Fuchs, F. Rosenbaum. (Filed by A. Rosenbaum, 233 Bway.)

George B. Hurd & Co., stationery; 5,000 shares, $100 each; 2,000 common, no par; H. C. Jahne, E. Cash. (Filed by C. Rush, 141 Bway.)

Carson Trucking Co.; 100 common, no par; L. Cohen, W. Brown, F. Ennulat. (Filed by A. H. Brown, 198 Bway.)

Budapest Restaurant, $6,000; Z. Feiner, U. L. Szekely, A. Pollak. (Filed by C. Liebling, 200 5th Av.)

Silvray Co. (reorganization, 500 shares $100 each; 500 common, no par; M. B. and D. Beck, J. M. Gilberg. (Filed by A. L. Ross, 160 Bway.)

Morris Glassman, furs and coats, $5,000; J. J. Scheuer, S. B. Schwartz, B. Zandleton. (Filed by J. Essner, 3535 5th Av.)

Evergreen Stores, fruits, &c., $10,000; E. N. Calure, V. Heckelmann, A. Schlossberg. (Filed by Gold, Kalfus, 295 Bway.)

Millard Martin, clothing, 500 shares, $20 each; 2,000 common, no par; F. H. Schmidt, M. M. Barrett, F. Schildkraut. (Filed by D. A. l'Asperence, 235 Bway.)

Albany Standard Building Corp., 1,000 common, no par

OWNERS ATTACK TAX ON NEWPORT HOMES

Fifteen Sue City for $30,000 in Rebates, Holding Assessments Are Excessive.

MRS. BELMONT ASKS $10,000

Former Mrs. Vanderbilt Contends Marble House Is Worth $317,500, Not $696,000.

Special to The New York Times.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 24.—Tax suits approximating $30,000 were begun against the City of Newport today. There are fifteen of these actions, brought by owners of Summer homes. These suits attack the 1926 assessment, which is declared in the declarations to be excessive and unjust. These suits supplement the twenty-two similar suits against assessments of previous years that are still pending in the Superior Court, in which court the new actions were filed.

There are included among the plaintiffs some who have brought similar actions against the city before and there are several new ones. Chief among these is Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont owner of Marble House, on Bellevue Avenue. Mrs. Belmont brings the largest of the new suits. She is seeking a rebate of $10,010.70 from the $18,524.45 paid under protest, contending that the assessment made by the Board of Tax Assessors, against whom all of the suits are brought, of $696,000 should have been only $317,500. She made a return under the law in which she declared that this was the full value of her estate in this city.

Other new plaintiffs include Cecil Barrett for the estate of Mrs. Virginia B. Gibbs, who seeks $1,369.55 as a rebate on the $2,655.80 paid; Stephen B. Luce of Boston, who seeks $259.70 from $1,843.70 paid; Mrs. C. Whitney Carpenter Jr. of New York, who seeks $1,205.40 from $1,670.90; James B. Clews, as trustee of the estate of Henry Clews, who seeks $1,019.20 from $3,224.20 paid on The Rocks; The Newport Trust Company, as trustee of the estate of Ella Rives King, which seeks $1,161.39 from $2,446.30 paid.

Plaintiffs who have sued before and who now bring new suits against this year's assessment are Stuart Duncan who asks $1,661.10; Mrs. Marsden J. Perry, $1,399.49; Mrs. Sadie O'Hanley Jacobsen, $967.75; Mrs. Louise M. Pollock for the Wysong estate, $1,044.82; Mrs. Lucy Wortham James, $690.90; Mrs. Mary R. Goelet and others, trustees of the estate of Ogden Goelet, $1,171.90; William Grosvenor, $926; Edson Bradley, $7,480.78, and the United States Trust Company, trustee of the estate of George S. Scott, $1,489.60.

HOPES TO REFUTE EINSTEIN.

Professor Miller of Cleveland Seeks Interstellar Ether.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24 (AP).—A new effort to refute Dr. Albert Einstein's theory of relativity is being started at Case School of Applied Science here by Professor Dayton C. Miller, Case physicist, who declares that during twenty-two years of experimentation he has detected definite ether waves in the wake of the earth as it revolves around the sun.

Dr. Miller's appointment to the new $100,000 chair of physics endowed at Case this week by Andrew Swasey, noted telescope builder, will allow the physicist to devote his full time to his experiments, and he has started installing an interferometer—an instrument for measuring small movements, distances, or displacements by means of interference of two beams of light.

By this he hopes to prove that all interstellar space is filled with ether. Einstein's theory is that no ether exists in the outer atmosphere.

CUT FLOOR TO STEAL FURS.

Thieves Get $12,782 Garments From T nth Floor of 27th St. Loft.

Thieves entered the fur establishment of Goldenberg Brothers on the tenth floor of 118 West Twenty-seventh Street Thursday night and escaped with $12,782 worth of fur garments. The burglary was discovered at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning by Sam Wasserman, a member of the firm. He found a large hole cut in the ceiling of the room from which the furs were stolen, the thieves having entered the floor above by jimmying two doors.

The burglars appeared to be familiar with the premises, for the hole cut through the ceiling avoided contact with the electric alarm wiring on the doors and windows.

RUN DOWN BY BABY BUGGY.

Woman Slightly Hurt—Knotty Traffic Problem for Police.

Special to The New York Times.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Flaming youth pushed a baby carriage recklessly on Main Street today, with the result that a woman was taken to the White Plains Hospital for medical attention.

The baby carriage, passenger and chauffeur, disappeared after the mishap and the police have a knotty problem today as to what section of the traffic laws was violated and why.

Mrs. Ralph M. Glover, 60 years old, of 62 South Broadway, was the injured woman, but she had only a few minor scratches and a bad shaking up, it was said at the hospital. She had a bad fall when she became entangled with the baby carriage.

PROBASCO HEARING PUT OFF

Bail Continued to Jan. 7 — He Is Still I a Critical Condition.

The hearing of Wallace M. Probasco on the charge of suspicion of homicide in connection with the death of Mrs. Robert H. Ingersoll in her apartment last Sunday was put over until Jan. 7 by Magistrate Gordon yesterday, owing to Mr. Probasco's condition. Bail, which had been fixed at $12,500, was continued.

Probasco is reported to be still in a critical condition at the Murray Hill Sanatorium. Assistant District Attorney Francis Marro had announced that he was satisfied that Mrs. Ingersoll killed herself, but he did not move to dismiss Probasco in court yesterday Jonah Goldstein, the latter's attorney said it would be at least two weeks before his client could appear.

Names Mount Vernon City Planners.

Mayor William D. MacQuesten of Mount Vernon named a new City Planning Commission yesterday, including Wayne D. Heydecker, connected with the regional plan of Manhattan and a zoning expert; George A. Bagge, architect; Michael A. Perri, landscape architect; Charles A. Young, civil engineer, and Robert C. Cumming, legislative expert and attorney.

HARRIS TO APPEAL STAY IN MILK BONUSES CASE

Says Experience Shows Rate Wars Bring Adulteration, Spoiling and Thefts.

Dr. Louis I. Harris, Health Commissioner, said yesterday that the decision by Supreme Court Justice Stephen J. Callaghan, who issued a temporary injunction restraining the Health Department from revoking the license of the Mapleton Dairy Company, Inc., of Brooklyn, which had admitted giving cash bonuses to obtain customers in the Bronx, would be appealed.

The Corporation Counsel's office and counsel to the Health Department, Dr. Harris said, had told him that one fatal defect of the decision was that it treated milk as an ordinary commodity instead of a public health utility.

From experience, Dr. Harris said, "it was found that not only adulteration of milk resulted from the practices which the Mapleton company admitted, but that the small dealers, who could not survive the rate wars that existed until I put an end to the practices, had soured and spoiled the milk of competitors. The theft of cans of milk had also assumed large proportions.

"The contention has been made that the Sanitary Code provides the remedy for dealing with adulteration of milk that might result if the activities of the Mapleton company were not restrained. I have time and again had occasion to call attention to the fact that the mere fining of those found to be adulterating milk had not proven itself to be a deterrent against adulteration. I have tried to use the principle of prevention rather than invoke a practically futile law after adulteration had been accomplished."

The Milk Dealers Chamber of Commerce at a meeting at 520 Broome Street yesterday authorized sending letters to members saying that while it was feared Justice Callaghan's decision would result in a reopening of warfare in which cash bonuses and free milk would be offered, the organization would not tolerate adulteration.

TRIES SUICIDE BY ETHER.

East Orange Man Found in Home With Gifts for Family Near By.

EAST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 24.—E. A. Thompson, of 18 Washington Terrace, an employe of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, attempted suicide today, according to the police, at about the time he was to leave his home with Christmas presents for his wife and children, who were away.

L. M. Hall of 345 North Maple Avenue, a friend, became alarmed when Thompson failed to keep an appointment with him in Manhattan and went to the Thompson home. He said he smelled ether and notified the police.

Detectives Frank Clintock and Thomas Collins broke in through a rear window. They said they found Thompson unconscious in bed with the covers pulled over his head, and near the bed a bowl containing ether which apparently had been poured from five empty ether cans which they said they found in the room. The detectives revived Thompson.

Thompson was taken to the Orange Memorial Hospital, where it was said he probably would recover. Mrs. Thompson and the children left Tuesday to visit Mrs. Thompson's father, Dr. Arthur McKling of Swarthmore, Pa., and Thompson was to join them today. The Christmas parcels were found in the house, wrapped and ready for delivery.

SANTA IN FLORIDA RELIEF.

Red Cross Gives 500 Families Christmas Awards for Homes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP).—As an agent for Santa Claus, the American Red Cross tomorrow will present Christmas presents in the form of financial awards for the rebuilding of their homes to 500 Florida hurricane-stricken families.

Of 22,904 families who appealed to the Red Cross for relief after the hurricane last September, the organization announced today, 16,000, representing about 60,000 individuals, have been rehabilitated.

In this work the Red Cross has distributed a fund of more than $3,450,000, the assistance being directed chiefly toward the rebuilding of homes and the providing of shelter and clothing. About 600 families are being rehabilitated each week and the undertaking is expected to be concluded in about ten weeks.

WOMAN KILLS ANOTHER.

Mother of Five Shoots Mother of Seven in Quarrel Over Trunk.

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 24 (AP).—Mrs. Myrtle Lancaster, aged 37, mother of five children, confessed to the police today that she shot and killed Mrs. Mollie Brown, aged 46, mother of seven.

With two small children clinging to her skirts and crying for Christmas presents, Mrs. Lancaster outlined how a few minutes earlier she had shot Mrs. Brown in a rooming house after a quarrel over possession of two trunks belonging to Mrs. Brown's estranged husband. Brown had a room adjoining that of Mrs. Lancaster.

Mrs. Brown, who lived in San Springs, a suburb, was accompanied to the rooming house by her 25-year-old son, John. He was wounded in the wrist by a bullet from the woman's gun. Police took him to the city jail for investigation, but he refused to discuss the shooting.

Starts Serving Jail Term for Arson.

Special to The New York Times.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 24.—Charles E. Frost, 34, accountant, of Mamaroneck, N. Y., is a prisoner at the State Penitentiary at Wethersfield today, following his surrender to Sheriff Simeon Pease of Fairfield County yesterday. Frost, who has started serving a sentence of from one to three years upon a charge of arson, has been at liberty under bond of $10,000 pending disposition of his appeal from the sentence to the Connecticut Supreme Court of Errors.

Electric Wire naps; Kills Passer-by

Walking along Johnson Avenue, near Varick Street, Brooklyn, on his way to a married daughter with Christmas presents, Andrew Keppler, 50 years old, a stableman of Montrose and Stewart Avenues was killed last night when an overhead high tension electric wire snapped and one end fell on him and sent 5000 volts through his body. The police were unable to learn what caused the wire to snap.

Robs Texas Bank of $1,500.

CHILDRESS, Texas, Dec. 24 (AP).—A robber held up the First State Bank of Tell, fifteen miles southwest of here, late today and escaped with $1,500. Clarence Wylie, the cashier, was the only one in the bank. He was locked in the vault.

THE BUSINESS WORLD

COMMERCIAL PAPER.

Yesterday ...4¼ per cent. for the best names. Thursday ...4½ per cent. for the best names. The quotations are for six months' paper.

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Handkerchief Stocks Are Low.

Not for some time have stocks of handkerchiefs been so low in this market at as present. This is attributed not only to the very active pre-holiday business that was done on them this year, but also to the demand for the merchandise for inclusion in the January white sales. For the holidays both men's and women's handkerchiefs sold freely, but in the purchases made for sale purposes there is a preponderance of women's goods. Despite the fact that it is meant for inclusion in "white" sales, much of this merchandise runs to colors, and bright ones at that. Color appears not only in novelty corner and border styles, but in solid effects as well. Many of the latter show novel patterns in contrasting hues.

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Not Much New In Anthracite.

Nothing out of the ordinary has developed in the New York market for anthracite so far as the domestic sizes are concerned, Saward's Journal will say today. With steam sizes it is different. They have continued to take on strength, No. 1 buckwheat in particular being in active demand at advancing prices. Even the companies have made advances over the $2.50 price at which most of them had been selling this size locally ever since last Spring. They are now quoting $2.75 in the tidewater market. Trading in the local bituminous market has been quiet this week, which is according to precedent. Buyers who want tonnage shipped or delivered between Dec. 20 and New Year's Day usually arrange for it in advance.

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Far West Returning Few Goods.

Although reports of large returns of women's ready-to-wear garments this season take in stores located in all parts of the country, there is a wide difference indicated between those received from retailers in the South and those coming from merchants in the Far West. Returns from the former section are, particularly heavy and, for the most part, are attributed to the trade-retarding effects of the big cotton crop. Small stores in that part of the country are particularly bad returners this season, the contention being advanced that, with cotton plentiful and money scarce, they are unable to move the merchandise. In the Far West, on the contrary, merchants seem to be disposing of general apparel lines without much difficulty. In any event, they are not asking manufacturers "to hold the bag" for them by shipping back unsold garments.

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Gray Goods Close Firmer.

The local market for gray goods closed much firmer yesterday than on previous days of the week, in spite of the relatively small volume of business put through. Had it not been for the nearness of the holiday one of the best days the market has seen for some time might have been experienced. Print cloth sales for the day included nearby 38½-inch 64-60s at 6⅝ cents and January 39-inch 68-72s at 7¼ cents. Spot trading was done in 36-inch 6.15-yard sheetings at 4¾ cents, and for January deliveries of 37-inch 48-square four-yard sheetings 6⅝ cents was paid. Both coarse and fine yarn cloths were quiet, but some business was done in nearby 37½-inch 4.37-yard sateens at 11 cents.

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Customers' Desires Govern Sales.

Analysis of sales of women's underwear brings to light at least one interesting point which is that the business done in the various types of this merchandise does not depend entirely upon climatic or other regional peculiarities. The sole governing factors in the sale or non-sale of the goods are the desires of the customers, which accounts for the disposal of sheer silk underwear during the Winter in cities of such Northern States as Montana, the Dakotas, &c., while at the same time women in some of the more southerly sections of the country are buying underthings of flannelette. While sales of these "contrary" goods are none too large, they are said here to be large enough to prove the point made. From all accounts, however, there are many more Winter sales of light underwear in the North than there are of the heavier types in the South.

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Look for Activity In Silks.

While Spring business has been slow in developing in silks, manufacturers look for the end of the holiday period to mark the beginning of active buying, particularly by the retailers. No particular significance is attached by the trade to the slowness so far, as there is every indication of continued favorable consumer demand and fashion support. As a group, sheer silks have had the best of the demand to date. Chiffons have been particularly well bought, with georgettes and light, fine crêpes following. Flat crêpes have been well to the fore. Silks with moire finish have been in demand for the early Spring, as have some of the taffeta effects. The dress trade continues to give attention to silks in the new ombre shadings.

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Raincoats Moving for Sales.

Buying of raincoats for sales purposes has served to reduce steadily the stocks in the hands of wholesalers here. Misses' and children's garments have been in most active demand. Recently, manufacturers introduced leather finished coats, and these are said to have a strong call at present, although active business is also being done in the high colored and plaid rubberized cloth merchandise. Many of the models have the raglan sleeve. Red, blue, green, tan and black are described as the best selling colors.

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Features of Children's Coats.

Novelty sports fabrics featuring plaids and other designs are outstanding in the early lines of children's coats for Spring. Garments of sheen worsteds are to be offered a little later. Fur trimmings are used on many coats, the varieties favored being those also utilized in garments for adults. In the better merchandise, the trimmings are of unborn calf, twin beaver and moutfflon. The lower priced coats are mostly untrimmed. They comprise tailored styles having patch pockets and leather belts.

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Wash Goods Bought for Spring.

Plain and printed Celanese fabrics continue outstanding in the new lines of wash goods for Spring. Especially important are sports satins and plain and printed voiles. The latter feature somewhat larger patterns than the new printed silk and cotton fabrics, which usually have small and medium designs in multi-colored combinations. New warp printed effects in rayon weaves are also proving good sellers. In the cheaper goods there has been a good call for many printed batistes and dimities.

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Suit Outlook Continues Good.

Prospects for an active revival of interest in women's suits continue good. So far, however, much of the confidence in the merchandise has been that displayed by manufacturers. The views of retailers on the suit question will become more clearly defined when buying in the showrooms becomes active about the middle of next month. Manufacturers say that, so far, retailers have placed well-distributed orders for sample garments for window display purposes. Another phase of the suit question deals with the matter of price. In some quarters it is held that, if there is heavy production of the lower-end suits at an early date, this will adversely affect the demand for the better grade garments and restrict favor for suit styles generally.

THE WEEK'S PRICE TREND.

Changes Not So Many, and Most of Them of Little Moment.

Fewer changes were seen in Dun's list of wholesale commodities prices this week than last, and the trend was reversed. In other words, there was an excess of advances over declines. Only fifty of the approximately 300 items in the list were revised, and these changes included twenty-eight advances. Last week there were twenty-six advances in sixty-three revisions. No marked changes, at least numerically, were shown in any part of the general list.

The following table gives the minimum wholesale prices quoted this week on selected standard commodities. They are corrected to yesterday, and with them are given comparative prices for last week and the corresponding week a year ago:

	This Week.	Last Week.	Year Ago.
Apples, com., bbl.	2.00	2.00	3.00
Beans, mar., c., 100 lbs	7.00	7.00	9.25
Butter, cream, ex., lb.	.52	.56	.48½
Cabbage, per bbl.	2.25	2.25	1.75
Cheese, Y. fc. spl., lb.	.27	.27	.25
Cod., G. Bks., 100 lbs.	10.00	10.00	9.00
Coffee, Santos No. 4, lb.	.20	.20	.22⅜
Eggs, nearby fan. doz.	.61	.61	.54
Flour, fancy Minn. family	9.00	8.85	10.45
Onions, bag	2.00	2.00	2.00
Peas, split, 100 lbs.	6.25	6.25	6.00
Potatoes, 180 lbs.	5.85	5.65	7.50
Rice, fancy head, lb.	.08	.08	.08
Tea, For'sa, fair, lb.	.26½	.26½	.24
Tea, Japan, best, lb.	.60	.60	.60
Bacon, 14@ down, lb.	.19	.19	.19
Beef, steers, live, 100 lbs.	10.75	10.75	11.50
Hams, big, in tes., lb.	.23¾	.25¾	.23⅜
Hogs, live, 100 lbs.	11.60	11.50	11.45
Sheep, live, 100 lbs.	10.00	10.00	12.50
Barley, malting, bu.	.87½	.86½	.88
Hay, No. 1, 100 lbs.	1.35	1.30	1.45
Rye, No. 2, bu.	1.07⅞	1.03⅝	1.10⅝
Aluminum, pig, lb.	.27	.27	.28
Copper, electro, lb.	13.5	13.5	14½
Zinc, lb.	.07⅜	.07.3	.09
Brown sheet, st'd., yd.	.11½	.11½	.13½
Cloths, print, 64x60, yd.	.06⅝	.06⅝	.08⅝
Hides, pack, No. 1, lb.	.15½	.15	.13¼
Hides, cows, hvy., lb.	.13¾	.13½	.14
Leath., un. b., t.r., lb.	.43	.43	.43
Rubber, upr., fine, lb.	.31½	.31½	.30½
Plate, tat latex cr., lb.	.59½	.58	.90
Silk, China, st. fil, 1st lb.	6.00	6.00	*...
Silk, Japan, fil. No. 1 lb.	5.75	5.80	6.80
Wool, dom. av. 98 quo, lb.	.65.2	.65.2	.78.4

*Nominal.

Ten of the sixteen changes in the foodstuffs were upward this week. In the local market for provisions Middle Western lard was higher, with hams cheaper and bacon unchanged. Spring patent flour did not change, but advances of 5 and 15 cents a barrel, respectively, were seen in Winter soft straight and fancy Minnesota flours. At Chicago short ribs and live hogs were higher, with mess pork, live steers and live sheep unchanged.

Only two changes took place in the dairy list this week. The best creamery butter fell off four cents a pound, and a drop of four cents a dozen took place in prime fresh-gathered eggs. The former is still higher than at this time last year, but the latter dropped back to the 1925 comparative level.

The listed fresh and dried fruits passed the week without change either way, while in the vegetables the only fluctuations were a decline in choice pea beans and advances in choice red kidney beans and potatoes. The latter went up 20 cents a barrel.

A further decline in No. 7 Rio coffee was the only change listed in the beverages. The price of 96-degree raw sugar went up, but there was no accompanying rise in refined sugar. Nutmegs and ginger contributed the advances in the spices, the only decline being seen in black Lampong pepper.

Only one decline, that in corn, was seen in the grain list, in which the advances took place in wheat, oats, rye and malting barley. Hay and straw both went up.

Native packers supplied the only advance in hides, with heavy native cows contributing the only decline. Leathers showed no change either way. Tallow declined.

All of the changes in the metals took place in the minor ones. They included advances in antimony and zinc and declines in copper and tin. The lumber list was unchanged, and the only revision in the building materials was a rise in common Hudson River brick.

Not only were the changes in the list for drugs, chemicals, dyestuffs and oils fewer than usual, but they were also without feature. Five of the six were upward. A sharp break in the price of resin featured the changes in the naval stores, the only other one of which was a drop in turpentine. Several changes took place in the paints. They consisted of a rise in French ochre and declines in American zinc, white lead in oil and dry white lead.

Other changes of the week included a rise in Eastern crude rubber and a drop in Japanese raw silk. Features in the textiles were few, but in burlaps and unfinished cottons the tendency at the close was upward.

TRADE VOLUME INCREASES,

But Check Total This Week Was Behind 1925 Figure.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The dollar volume of trade during the third week of December, as seem from figures on check payments, was greater than in the preceding week, but smaller than in the corresponding week of 1925, according to the weekly statement on current business conditions issued today by the Department of Commerce.

"Contracts awarded for building construction," the statement continued, "were higher than in either the previous week or the same week of 1925. Petroleum production registered a new high mark. Wholesale prices continued to decline, being lower than at any time since the middle of August. Production of bituminous coal and beehive coke during the second week of the month was smaller than in the preceding week, but bituminous coal output was larger than during the corresponding week of 1925.

"Lumber production during the second week was smaller than in either the previous week or the corresponding week of the previous year. Carloading during the same week was smaller than in either the previous week or the same week in 1925.

"Loans and discounts of Federal Reserve member banks increased in the third week over both the previous week and the corresponding week of 1925. Interest rates, both on call loans and time money, showed no change from the previous week, but were generally lower than a year ago. Business failures were less numerous than in either the previous week or the third week of December, 1925."

BUSINESS NOTES.

Meyer H. Gradwohl, who recently resigned as resident representative in this market of Maison Blanche, Ltd., New Orleans, is to be the guest of honor at a dinner to be given at the Hotel Astor on Jan. 14. This date will mark the thirty-third anniversary of his becoming associated with that firm. John H. Love is Chairman of the committee in charge and Edmund Wright will act as toastmaster.

Kaplan & Mattisheff, makers of women's misses' and stouts' coats, are now located at 234 West Thirty-ninth Street. They moved there from 35 West Thirty-first Street.

BUSINESS RECORDS

BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS.

Failures for the Week.

Bradstreet's reports 401 failures for the week in the United States as compared with 458 for the previous week and 307, 348, 368 for the corresponding week 1925 to 1922. The New England States had 44, middle 90, Western 68, Northwestern 35, Southern 112, Far Western 52. Canada had 35 failures for the week against 60 for the preceding week. In the United States about 72 per cent. of the concerns failing had $5,000 capital or less, and 14.4 per cent had from $5,000 to $20,000 capital.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Petitions Filed—Against

MILLER, KAUFMAN & SIMONS, INC., jobber of leather goods, 122 West 27th St, by Samuel B. Lebin, for $325; New York Paste and Liquid Co., $270; Mutual Thread Co., Inc., $60.

LEO IMBERTI, general merchandise, 253 Bleecker St., by William Green, for $234; Rival Novelty Co., Inc., $302; Columbia Merchandise Co., $101.

CITY HALL PHARMACY, INC., 28 South Broadway, Yonkers, by John W. Camerow, on a claim for $500.

ARTHUR SPENCER, Jewelry, 269 Main St., Poughkeepsie, by International Silver Co., for $250; Baldin Bros., $500; S. Weissman Co., Inc., $150.

Petitions Filed—By

MEYER BARISH, cotton salesman, 296 Central Park West; no schedules.

RAYMOND MacCRACKEN, also known as Ray MacCracken, building contractor, 166 West 75th St., Liabilities, $4,881; assets, $80.

IRA G. FORTLOUIS, salesman, 143 West Seventy-third Street—Liabilities, $9,050; no assets except life insurance.

JOSE CORIA, 22 West Sixty-fourth Street—Liabilities, $6,621; no assets mentioned except some bonds of unknown value.

BARNET GREENBERG, grocer, 73 East 101st Street—Liabilities, $670; assets, $825.

SOLOMON FREDMA, cleaning and pressing store, 46 Riverdale Avenue, Yonkers—Liabilities, $5,004; assets, $400.

Receivers Appointed.

FRANK R. PASSARO, plumbing and heating contractor, 40 South Lexington Avenue, White Plains—Clarence Bloomfield appointed, under $500 bond, by Judge Bondy.

BENJAMIN FADEN, 51 West 116th Street—James G. Moore appointed ancillary receiver, under $3,000 bond, by Judge Bondy. A petition in bankruptcy was filed against him in Brooklyn, where he resides.

Schedules Filed.

R. F. HAMMOND, INC., pulp and paper, 342 Madison Avenue—Liabilities, $209,762; assets, $211,228, main items being notes and securities, $119,665; accounts, $77,411. Principal creditors are Textiles Trust Co., $23,800, secured; Jefferson County National Bank, Watertown, N. Y., $23,480, secured; Commerce Trust Co., Baltimore, $16,175, secured; Champion Fibre Co., Canton, Ohio, $4,950; C. M. Gottesman & Co., Inc., $14,972; Warren & Co., Ltd., $6,587.

MAX REBHUN, doing business as Kingston Textile Company, 7 West Twenty-second Street—Liabilities, $97,734; assets, $53,100, main items being accounts, $32,000; stock, $20,000. Principal creditors are Etco Trading Company, $10,200, secured; Bleitborne Building Company, Inc., $11,750, secured; New Market Manufacturing Company, $10,760; American Exchange Pacific National Bank, $7,500; Krentzberg & Goldberg, $6,500; Clark & Co., $4,960; Mill Factor Corp., $3,682.

KATZ BROTHERS' HAT CO., INC., 19 West Thirty-eighth Street.—Liabilities, $23,840; assets, $6,400, main items being accounts, $3,800; stock in trade, $2,500. Principal creditors are Etco Trading Corp., $8,400, secured; Hecht & Fisch, $1,807.

JOSEPH I. POMERANTZ, jewelry, 68 Nassau Street.—Liabilities, $9,179; assets, $700. Principal creditors are Levi & Weisberger, $2,344; Rothblum & Mire, $2,437; D. Shapiro, $1,522; A. Suderov, $1,966.

VALENTINE GROSSELLI, restaurant manager, 417 West Forty-third Street.—Liabilities, $6,286; no assets mentioned.

Composition Confirmed.

H. BARRON COMPANY, INC., importers of ostrich feathers and hats, 64 West Thirty-sixth Street; 20 per cent.

EASTERN DISTRICT.

Petitions Filed—Against

SAUVARD BUILDING CORPORATION, 10,409 102d Street, Ozone Park, L. I., by Dunn & Carey for $400, Shuttleworth & Hamilton, $120, and Harry Engler, $100.

SAMUEL AND NATHAN WEISSMAN, trading as L. Weissman & Sons and Comet Merchandise Company, jobbers of cotton goods, 743 Crown Street and 1,625 President Street, Brooklyn, by Abraham Schneider for $230, Harry Neufeld, $250, and David Schnelr, $12. Judge Moscowitz has appointed Ernest C. Wagner receiver, in bond of $5,000.

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT.

Petitions Filed—By

ISAAC MONHEIT, 388 Ocean Avenue, Jersey City, furniture retailer. Liabilities, $95,000; assets, $8,000.

J. M. DONDONA, confectionery store, 8 Sharon Avenue, Livingston. Liabilities, $206.45; liabilities, $2,394.95. Principal creditors, Peter Doelger Brewing Company, New York City, $157; Wayne County Produce Company, Greenport, L. I., $207.

Petitions Filed—Against

J. GOLDENBERG, silk merchant, 183 Sixteenth Avenue, and trunk retailer, Broad Street, Newark. Assets, $1,000; liabilities, $4,000.

ASSIGNMENTS.

MORRIS GOLDSTEIN, infants' wear, 57 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, has made an assignment to Benjamin Solomon, 154 Nassau Street, Manhattan.

PHILIP GOLDSTEIN, baby and children's wear, 69 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, has made an assignment to Benjamin Solomon, 154 Nassau Street, Manhattan.

WOLF LISS, retail furniture and bedding, 161 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, has made an assignment to Abraham H. Goodman, 1,482 Broadway, Manhattan.

HARRY NATHANSON, 158 Tompkins Avenue, Brooklyn, has made an assignment to Shirley Nathanson, 181 Havemeyer Street, Brooklyn.

JUDGMENTS.

The first name is that of the debtor; the second that of the creditor and date when judgment was filed.

In New York County.

Axelrod Dairy Products, Inc.—De Lancey Milk & Cream Co., Inc. $917.97
Applebaum, Louis, and Irving Santell—Vacuum Oil Co. $118.12
American Pastry Mfg. Co.—L. Berenson. $2,673.30
Same—Same $350.00
Same—Same $150.00
Artz, William M.—Kingsland $224.5
Amity Metal Spinning & Lighting Fixture, Inc., Louis Riskin, Louis Goldfand and Irving Gelfand—Rosen Bros. News Agency, Inc. $555.25
Baum, Jacob—R. R. Chapman. $879.53
Breslow, Samuel—Jacob Doll Packing Co. $834.44
Belcher, Harold W.—Abraham & Straus, Inc. $710.
Blair, Samuel—Frank Kiernan. $1,578.57
Bartolino, Sebastino—Karash & Elsen Corp. $175.54
Blaustein, Max, and Moische Richter—Rialto Finance & Mtg. Corp. $172.04
Central Automobile Service Co., Inc.—Manager, Hughes & Manager, Inc. $625.70
Cavallino, John—One Fifty Nassau St. Corp. $840.65
Cohen, Frank S., and Wilson Oil Corp.—Acewood Petroleum Corp. $6,043.23
Claremont Palace Garden, Inc., and Donato Picuelo—Lion Electric Mfg. Co. $1,701.45
Coughlan & Co., Inc.—Samaroozon Realty Corp. $1,021.
Chester, Frank—Low Motor Supplies Co. $279.81
Duce Building Corp.—Burns Bros. $252.09
Delaney, John J.—Abram Cox Co. $520.87
Emily Shops, Inc.—J. C. Neuhoff, Inc. $5,119.25
Fraad, Emil—W. & J. H. Park. $106.63
Freer, Grant E.—G. M. Kingman. $221.72
Feder, Carl—S. Edelman. $1,248.96
Greve, Lewis H.—W. F. Barker. $3,473.38
Same—Same $3,473.38
G. Goldberg & Son, Inc.—General Dress and Trim Co., Inc. $193.49
Gross, Henry—P. Fuhrer. $930.22
Home Const. Mtg. Corp.—Seaboard Investing Co., Inc. $563.00
Hinds, Joseph E.—Abraham & Straus, Inc. $707.53
James, Eugene—Jack Weiner Corp. $143.65
J. R. Mayers Co., Inc.—W. F. Powers Co., costs. $546.00
Koch, Samuel—Rothschild Realty Co., Inc. $353.76
Kahn, Edward C.—M. Blumenthal. $845.46
Levenson, Louis and John—N. Y. Telephone Co. $176.40
Lowy, Leo L.—Klauber Bros. & Co. $5,904.65
Lenke, Ernest, Hedwig Lenke and William Shellabarger—Int. Textiles, Inc. $140.12
Loewenthal, Louis—E. Vlance. $12,707.70
Lichterman, Jay C.—F. A. Beach et al. $386.95
La Pensee, Inc.—N. Y. Telephone Co. $327.10
Lersand Realty Co., Inc.—Sinram Bros., Inc. $3,145.10
Melsfrech Realty Co., Inc.—Burns Bros., $1,050.10
Minerva Knitting Co., Inc.—Rottenberg Sons Co., Inc. $226.99
Michael, George—L. Schafran. $273.37
Mrs. Stovers Home Made Candies, Inc.—Horace L. Day Co., Inc. $8,191.91
Newman, Randolph M.—N. Y. Telephone Co. $121.36
Pleasants, Florence—Bradshaw Bros., Inc., $387.41
Pratt, Mamie L. A.—M. Johnson et al. (costs) $110.60
Ramstone Corp., Robert Sherower and Lester C. Lincoln—J. M. Nelson. $863.83
Rose, William, and Geo. J. Lustig—People, &c. $500.00
Russky, Golos Pub. Co. Corp.—J. Lodiesney, $168.30
Rosenthal, Bettina A.—W. M. Goldsmith et al. $683.27
Rich, David—E. Frankel. $2,036.61
Stadium Purchasing Corp.—J. Hernandez. $149.45
Schiff, Harry A.—Burns Bros. $1,948.89
Starr, Chas. K.—R. Frost. $5,067.99
Schwartzer, Morris and Max—Aaron Guchsbaum Co. $1,666.06
Siegel, Adam—Pennsylvania Exchange Bank. $339.95
Silvergate, Isadore B.—O. W. Seibert Co. $789.02
Sodaro, James—Abraham & Straus, Inc. $433.30
Safian, Joseph—I. Calef et al. $1,311.25
Saunders, Alex—H. H. Coleman. $988.10
Safian, Joseph—M. W. Sadock. $6,666.75
Tonelson, Rhea—W. M. Goldsmith et al., $657.19
Van Buren Family Laundry, Inc.—Procter & Gambie Distributing Co. $237.78
Wilson, Arthur, and Equitable Surety Co.—People, &c. $500.00
Wittenberg, Herman—Broneman-Horan Co., Inc. $212.10
Walsh Transportation Co., Inc.—Tice Towing Line $1,545.39
Weinstein, Moses, and Irving Bergman—B. Stein $599.89
Zabin & Stahl, Inc.—L. J. Stahl. $895.70

In Kings County.

R. O. W. Realty Corp—Lena Silverman. $326.76
Higgins, Thomas A.—Alma Thomas. $589.90
S. S. & S. Building Corp et al—Kuslansky Electrical Supply Co., Inc. $705.83
Gueli, Micheline—Joseph Guigliano. $62.40
Kass, Harry and Rosa—Lazarus Fogelman. $334.30
Kaufman, Hyman B.—Municipal Bank. $52.12
Frazer, Morris—Kermet Bloomgarden. $169.90
Mishket Solon—Fred Sorrentino. $882.42
Zwirn, Peter—Queensland Real Estate Corp. $69.25
Gueli, Nicholas—Joseph Guigliano. $62.40
Halt, Thomas—Joseph Neufels. $209.92
O'Sullivan, Corinne—Studio Apartments, Inc. $251.00
Pages, Anne—William Chambers. $259.57
Hegarty, Thomas F.—George T. Beckerton. $82
Siegmund, Joseph—Lillie Siegmund. $93.70
Tarrmina, Gerlando—Lucid Deidue. $400
Crimmins, Thomas—Mary Morch. $250
Same—George Morch $125
Williams, Alexander Jr.—Atlantic Yacht Club $689.17
Heinick, Franz—Austin Nichols & Co. $425.73
Rubin & Wallin—Ciara Weissman. $812.62
Chiarelli, Joseph—Julius Epstein. $2,677.95
Gerard, Harry—William Dangler. $158.67
Rand, Solomon—Charles A. Amerling. $1,658.35
Lowenthal, Louis—Elvira Viane. $12,707.70
Natt, Bertha—Aaron Chorost. $164.90
Braun, Moses—Balthaser E. Gfroerer. $297.40
Hurley, Arthur L.—Ben H. Sanders. $742.28
Parkbrook Realties, Inc., et al.—Benson-hurst Sash and Door Co., Inc. $539.65
Stadlen, Max—Henry Wecht. $463.53
Blake, Max, et al.—Sam Kadin. $487.30
Markowitz, Morris—Israel Goldstein. $2,300.00
Aaron Const. Co., Inc.—Max Shub. $3,737.50
Cohen, Samuel and Yetta—Saratoga Heating Co. $117.50
Lorio, Joseph—Levin & Emerson. $308.95
Chiarelli, Joseph—Julius Epstein. $2,677.95

In Bronx County.

Brown, Margaret—Bonwit Teller & Co. $916.66
Brand, Morris—Elson Lumber Co., Inc. $155.30
Brecht, Martin—Brislin Lumber Co., Inc. $134.89
Dunn, Harry, and Dora Greenberg—People, State of New York. $500.00
Quercusio, Guiseppe and Giovanni—J. C. Acunto $361.07
Goldberg, Joe, and Dora Greenberg—People, State of N. Y. $500.00
Haipin, Thomas—Edson & Co., Inc. $1,641.15
Jackcord Hlating Corp., Morris Solomon and David Slatin—Bregman & Co., Inc. $815.32
Hawley, John—Brislin Lumber Co., Inc. $258.54
Levey, Irving—L. Ritkin $684.70
Mancuso, Nicholas—A. Paris $503.78
Maurer, Harris K.—Musical

SIGMAN NOW SEEKS JOBBERS' COMPACT

Resumes Parleys in Cloak Strike, Seeing Hollow Victory If This Group Holds Out.

CONFIDENT OF PEACE SOON

Intra-Union Fight Between Left Wing Leaders and the International Over Dress Situation Continues.

Morris Sigman, President of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, resumed negotiations yesterday with Joseph Engel, President of the Merchants' Ladies' Garment Association, and other representatives of the jobbers' organizations, according to a statement from union headquarters last night. The union has already come to terms with the other employing groups in the needle trades dispute. Six weeks ago the inside manufacturers, who employ about 25 per cent. of the workers, and the union ended a strike of 35,000 cloakmakers which had lasted nineteen weeks. Last Monday a board of arbitration, consisting of Judge Bernard L. Shientag, Herbert L. Lehman and Professor Lindsay Rogers of Columbia University, reached a decision in the dispute between the contractors and the workers in which the left wing branch of the international was emphatically rebuked.

Although the strikers won many of their demands, one of their representatives said yesterday that the victory would be a hollow one unless the jobbers, on whom the contractors depend for their commissions, agree, and it was with such an agreement in view that yesterday's conferences took place.

Union leaders were confident yesterday that the whole industry would be on a peace basis within a few days. Meanwhile the intra-union fight continues, in which the joint board which conducted the strike, led by Louis Hyman, Charles S. Zimmerman and Julius Portnoy, Secretary and manager of Local 22 of the Dressmakers' Union, all members of the left wing of the union, are lined up against Mr. Sigman and the international.

On Thursday the Executive Board of the international demanded that Local 2 turn over its books and funds, the union having been taken over by the international to avert the prospect of another strike Jan. 1, when its agreement with the employers runs out.

Yesterday the deposed leaders refused to do this, and after a meeting held Thursday they announced that 120 shop chairmen had protested against the action of the international and expressed confidence in Mr. Hyman and the local's leaders. At the offices of the international it was announced that new cards would be issued to members of the union and that these cards only will be recognized by employers.

Left wing leaders said yesterday that their followers would continue working bearing the credentials of the old union and that shop chairmen were turning the employers against entering into any agreements with the international.

At the office of the international, however, efforts of the deposed leaders to continue their struggle against the union forces were discounted. "Ten thousand cloakmakers," an official said, "have registered with the international union in support of the right to eliminate Communist domination, and union leaders expect the figures to mount as soon as the Spring season begins."

Mr. Hyman announced last night that locals 2, 9 and 35, would hold their regular election of officers soon. In each of these unions, according to Mr. Hyman, the officers were unconstitutionally deposed by President Sigman. The American Civil Liberties Union or some other impartial body, Mr. Hyman said, will be asked to conduct the elections to prevent fraud from either side.

TAXI MEN'S TEST SUIT FILED

Aims to Curb Commissioner Daly's Power Over Licenses.

Philip Hart, counsel for the New York Taxi Men's Association, filed the association's test suit against Second Deputy Police Commissioner Daly yesterday. The suit aims to curb the Commissioner in what the taxi drivers term an abuse of power in revoking licenses of drivers charged with disbeauty by taxicab credit companies without a court trial.

The test case is that of Theodore Zanghi of 1,000 Kelly Street, a founder of the association. Brought in Part I of the Supreme Court, it was set on the calendar for Jan. 3. It is a mandamus action, naming Police Commissioner McLaughlin, Daly and "John Doe" (any other police officer involved) as defendants. The action seeks to compel them by cort order to erase from Zanghi's license card and other police records the notation "larceny of tools," inscribed after Zanghi's appearance before Daly.

Zanghi's license was suspended by Daly, but returned to him when he paid $35 to the New York Hare & Chase Corporation under protest.

LEFT $1,850,000, NO WILL.

E. W. Durkee Had $1,350 000 Real Estate—Court Names Daughters.

Although an estate of at least $1,850,000 was left by Eugene W. Durkee, former head of E. W. Durkee & Co., he made no will. This was disclosed yesterday when an application was made to Surrogate Foley for the appointment of administrators. Arthur Knox, attorney in the case, said that Mr. Durkee, who died at the age of 76 in the New York Hospital on Dec. 9, had about $500,000 in personal property and $1,350,000 in real estate.

The Surrogate appointed Miss Emma W. Durkee of the Hotel Seymour, 50 West Forty-fifth Street, and Mrs. Helen W. D. Milehan of 350 West Fifty-seventh Street, daughters of Mr. Durkee, to act with the Guaranty Trust Company. They are required to give a bond of $80,000. Mr. Durkee, who lived at the Hotel Seymour and had a Summer home at Patchogue, L. I., was a founder of the American Spice Trade Association.

TENANTS' VICTORY UPHELD.

Manager of Apartments Fought Sentence Under Heat Law.

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court upheld yesterday the conviction of Alexander Anderson, manager of an apartment house at 656 St. Nicholas Avenue, for failure to supply steam heat and hot water last Winter. Anderson, who was fined $100, with the alternative of passing thirty days in prison, contended that he had not refused to furnish heat or hot water at any time and that the complainant was a disgruntled tenant who had refused to pay rent. Several other tenants testified, however, that they had been without heat or hot water.

CIRCLING NATION BY AUTO.

Member of Oregon Legislature and Wife Live in Car on Tour.

William E. Woodward, a member of the Oregon House of Representatives, will leave New York with his wife next Monday on the second half of a 15,000-mile automobile journey in which he will have circled the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodward have covered 8,500 miles from Portland. They have visited Yellowstone Park, Chicago, Detroit, Montreal, Quebec, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, whence they came down through New England to New York. They are traveling in a Dodge sedan equipped with a bed, refrigerator, food box, tent, stove, table and chairs. On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Woodward will call on President Coolidge in Washington and then start for home by way of Atlanta, New Orleans, the Grand Canyon and Southern California.

Mr. Woodward, who is sixty-three years old, is enthusiastic over automobile touring. Along the route he has studied rural schools, which he says are "the lost end, the missing link, of our school system." Mr. Woodward believes that it is as important for wealthy Americans to assist its needy rural schools as it is for them to give huge sums to colleges and universities.

DETECTIVE DEMANDS PAY.

T. C. Beet Protests Refusal of $1,800 for Hall-Mills Work.

T. Chaplin Beet, a private detective with offices in New York and Newark, who worked under Senator Alexander Simpson in the Hall-Mills case, appeared yesterday at the Senator's office in Jersey City and protested that the Somerville, N. J., Board of Freeholders had just refused to approve his bill of $1,800. After listening to Beet's story, Senator Simpson wrote to Supreme Court Justice Charles Parker of New Jersey, who presided at the trial, denouncing the treatment accorded the detective.

According to Senator Simpson, Beet is a former Scotland Yard expert and proved an invaluable aide in his prosecution of the Hall trial. He employed one operative, whose expenses are included in the $1,800 bill. This operative lived at the Colonial Hotel in Somerville, where the Hall jury was quartered, and kept tabs on the jurymen.

The Senator said yesterday that when Beet appeared before the Somerville Freeholders, he found Senator Clarence E. Case, one of the counsel for the Hall defense, present. According to Beet, the payment of his bill was made conditional, partly at the instance of Senator Case, upon his revealing just what he had discovered in his activities as a detective.

HUNT MACY TRUCK THIEVES.

Astoria Detectives Act After Second Hold-Up of a Driver for $400.

Detectives of the Astoria Precinct have joined with those of the Newtown Precinct to find two youths who have held up and robbed the drivers of two R. H. Macy delivery trucks within three days. On Wednesday one was held up for $200 in Corona. Yesterday the hold-up was in Astoria.

Shortly before noon a Macy truck was driven to the Astoria Precinct Station House in Grand Avenue by two men who were handcuffed together, each using his free hand to guide the horses. Robert Lewis, the driver of the truck, told the detectives that two masked youths had jumped on his truck at Second and Grand Avenues, Astoria, and pointed pistols at him and his helper. He said they searched him, taking about $400. He said one robber then handcuffed him and his helper together and fled.

The handcuffs were filed from the wrists of the men. From the description of the robbers and the method of operation it is believed they are the two who committed the Corona robbery.

HOSPITAL OFFICIALS QUIT.

Three in Irvington Institution Resign After Row Over New Post.

IRVINGTON, N. J., Dec. 24 (AP).—The resignation of the superintendent, assistant superintendent and dietitian, the three highest executives of Irvington General Hospital, were announced today by Walter S. Gray, President of the Board of Trustees.

Coming on the heels of a controversy in the Board of Trustees over the creation of the position of purchasing agent, the resignations were declared by the three officials to have been due to the presence of other plans. The board declined to comment.

Miss Mary A. Whittaker was superintendent, Miss Minnie Blauvelt, her assistant, and Miss Mary Frey, the dietitian.

At the last meeting of the trustees Mayor David H. Green, ex officio member, proposed creating a purchasing agent because he believed "money could be saved and because he wished to have a personal representative at the hospital to keep in closer touch." His motion was carried over the objection of three members.

GOULD TO BEGIN RAILWAY.

Will Start Work Monday—Permit Would Lapse Next Friday.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 24 (AP).—Work on the Quebec Extension Railway, an electrified line from Warburn to Lake Frontier, on the Quebec border, which is projected by Senator Arthur R. Gould and his associates, will start on Monday, he announced tonight.

Mr. Gould, who has been reported awaiting the decision of President Graustein of the International Paper Company, across whose lands the line will run, said that an expected letter from the paper company head had not been received.

The letter was to contain the company's decision, but it was thought likely here that Mr. Gould had obtained assurance of a favorable attitude. Work on the road must begin before Dec. 31 to avoid the lapse of a certificate of permit issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

SUES VALENTINO ESTATE.

Pola Negri, Fiancee When He Died, Says She Lent $15,000 to Him.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24 (AP).—Pola Negri, fiancée of Rudolph Valeitino at the time of his death, has filed a claim against his estate for $15,000 with interest, which the Polish actress says is due her on a loan made to Valentino a year ago.

"It was a business proposition from one person to another," said Miss Negri. "The money was lent by me as a payment on Beverly Hills property on which Mr. Valentino had contracted to build a pretentious home. This happened about the beginning of the year 1926 and at the time the loan was extended it was apparently very much needed."

WOMEN PROTEST PARK GARAGE PLAN

City Federation Asks Walker to Reject Proposal as an Encroachment.

FEARS ADDED CONGESTION

Organization Also Seeks to Refute Charge That City Is Most Materialistic in Nation.

A protest against the proposal to drain the south reservoir in Central Park, deck it over, and build a garage in the hollow under the decking, was sent to Mayor Walker and the Board of Estimate yesterday by the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs. The letter containing the federation's reasons for opposing the plan follows:

Hon. James Walker,
Mayor of the City of New York,
City Hall, New York.
My Dear Mayor Walker:

Earnestly believing in conserving the necessarily limited parks in our bustling city for fundamental park purposes where they will for all time actually serve the greatest good to the greatest number, we respectfully protest against the proposed plan to convert the reservoir in Central Park into a garage and its ultimate involvement of parking spaces. We base our protest upon the following reasons:

(a) Upon the principle of no encroachment in existing parks for any projects other than primary park purposes.

(b) Upon our civic pride in having our municipality take its definite stand in conserving the rights of the common people and thus maintain the fundamental American standards of democracy exemplified in "We the People of the United States."

(c) Upon the avoidance of further congesting Central Park, the only haven for our people in the heart of our city under the present day hectic traffic conditions.

(d) Upon the sincere desire, through rejection of this plan, to effectually refute the increasing prevalent accusations of other large cities in this country that New York City is the most materialistic, commercialized municipality in our country.

Because of the principles involved in this projected measure we appeal to the sense of responsibility of your great office as steward of the People of the City of New York and beseech you to reject the proposed plan for a garage in Central Park reservoir.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. WILLIAM DICK SPORBORG,
President, New York City Federation of Women's Clubs.
Mrs. JAMES R. HARRISON, Chairman of Press.

ACCOUNTS SHORT $20,000.

Warrant Is Issued for Danville (Ky.) Man Who Disappeared Dec. 9.

Special to The New York Times.

DANVILLE, Ky., Dec. 24.—With the announcement today that Charles Henderson, missing business man, was $20,000 short in his accounts with the grocery concern of which he was general manager, A. D. Lanier, County Attorney, said a warrant for Henderson's arrest had been issued.

Henderson disappeared the night of Dec. 9. His blood-stained hat was found in his automobile on a bridge at a lake, and for days the water was searched for his body. The general belief then was that he had been murdered and his body thrown into the lake.

An audit of his books had started a few days before he disappeared, but this was said to be a routine matter. The books of other concerns with which he was connected also will be examined now, it was said today.

Henderson was one of the leading business and civic figures of the town. What he did with the money said to be missing is not known. He was not extravagant and seemed to live happily with his young wife.

Rewards have been offered for his apprehension.

FOUR YEARS OF BRIDGE.

Christmas Mile Post in Lee-Lindquist Million-Point Race.

SUPERIOR, Wis., Dec. 24 (AP).—Bridge of a notable character will be added to the Christmas festivity in one Superior home. It will mark the close of four years of competition by four players who probably are still years away from their goal of a million points.

Four years ago Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lee and Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Lindquist, friends since childhood, started the contest. Throughout the years they have met frequently, observing on Christmas the anniversary of the start of their contest. Tomorrow the Lees will entertain the Lindquists in continuation of the traditional Christmas session in their race for an unnamed prize.

All have passed the 616,000 point mark. Mr. Lindquist leads with 619,956. The point totals of the others are: Mrs. Lee, 619,219; Mrs. Lindquist, 617,869, and Mr. Lee, 616,612. It is not a family battle, but one for individual supremacy, with the players rotating. The contest will end when a million points is attained by one player.

OCEAN TRAVEL.

The United Fruit liner Calamares will sail today for Havana, Cristobal and Port Limon. Among her passengers are:

Frank Adams,
Chester Adams,
Miss Belle Alder,
Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Andreoli,
Mr. and Mrs. Julius Blaumer,
Miss Helen Blaumer,
Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Block,
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Broenniman,
Dr. P. H. Brutsaert,
Mrs. M. M. Buntin,
Robert Buntin,
Miss Frances Curtin,
Miss Nellie Dean,
Miss Elsie Degenfeld,
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Dix,
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dunlop,
Mr. and Mrs. William Eckenfelder,
Alfred Elliston,
Miss Blanca Fernandez,
Mrs. Ealin Ganbe,
Miss Concepcion Garcia,
Miss Dorothy Gribbin,
John Hodgson,
Mrs. Aurora Hodgson,
Miss Harriette Kelley,
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leblang,
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee,
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Liftman,
Miss Margaret Lurkings,
Mrs. Jane Lurkings,
Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Lyford,
Mr. and Mrs. David Marks,
Miss Ruth Marks,
Mark Max,
David Nickelsburg,
Louis Oliver,
Miss Flora Pedro,
James Power,
Mrs. Amparo Quintero
Mr. and Mrs. Max Rosenblum,
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rue,
Miss Concepcion Testom,
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Torres,
Dr. Erik Troje,
Miss Rose Vernick,
Miss Clara Walker,
Irving K. Ward,
Miss Helen H. Ward,
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Weil,
Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Zeller.

Credit Fraud Sentence Upheld.

The conviction of Hyman Millstein of the Greater New York Couch Company for misrepresenting the assets of the company in obtaining credit was upheld yesterday by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court. Millstein had been sentenced to sixty days in the workhouse.

LATEST DEALINGS IN REALTY

TRADING ON 42D ST. A MARKET FEATURE

New Transactions Announced and Several Pending Resales Are Reported.

MANDELBAUMS IN DEAL

Operators Take a Profit in Disposing of Northeast Eleventh Avenue Corner.

The pre-holiday lull in the real estate market found West Forty-second Street the dominant factor in trading, according to operators who have been active in the purchase and resale of properties on the west side in the midtown section. Maurice Mandelbaum confirmed the report yesterday that the firm of Harris and Maurice Mandelbaum, Inc., operators, had made an offer of $1,000,000 for the Holy Cross Academy property.

The holding has a frontage of 100 feet on the street and extends back to the south side of Forty-third Street, where it has a frontage of 125 feet. To the east of the property is Holy Cross Church. In keeping with the rapid movement of property along Forty-second Street in this section was the announcement yesterday by Mr. Mandelbaum that his firm and Isidor H. Kempner & Sons had just resold the northeast corner of Forty-second Street and Eleventh Avenue. This corner is improved with a five-story building with a frontage on West Forty-second Street of 78 feet and fronting 25 feet on the avenue. Its purchase by the Mandelbaum-Kempner syndicate was announced on Thursday, when it was said to have brought close to $46 a square foot. The new owner is an investor, who paid the operators a substantial profit in the resale.

Other deals in this section said yesterday to have been closed or pending involve a Tenth Avenue block front and a Forty-second Street site, near Ninth Avenue. It was learned that negotiations are pending for the leasing of the east side of Tenth Avenue from Forty-first to Forty-second Streets. Operators were reported to have bought a 50-foot plot on the north side of Forty-second Street, 100 feet west of Ninth Avenue, for a reported price of $150,000.

An influential factor in starting many deals on Forty-second Street was the sale and resale since last June, in four transactions, of the northeast corner of Eighth Avenue and Forty-second Street. Harris and Maurice Mandelbaum bought the property at that time from the United Cigar Stores Company and the parcel has since figured in sales and resales until it has jumped $1,000,000 in price in six months, the present holding price being $1,500,000.

Sale of Ninth Avenue Plot.

Joseph A. Rauschkolb sold for the Ninth Avenue Syndicate 613 Ninth Avenue, between Forty-third and Forty-fourth Streets. The plot is 25 by 100 feet, four-story and basement store and apartment building.

The purchaser is Michael Freed, attorney. There are negotiations pending for the re-sale of this property.

Mr. Rauschkolb also sold for the Frank Realty Company 661 Ninth Avenue, adjoining the southwest corner of Forty-sixth Street. The plot is 22.8 by 75 feet, four-story and basement store and apartment building.

The purchaser is Michael Freed, attorney. There are negotiations pending for the re-sale of this property also.

B. and L. M. Shapiro bought 544-546-548 West Fifty-fourth Street, consisting of two four-story tenements and one-story garage, comprising a plot of about 85 square feet, between Tenth and Eleventh Avenues. The sale was made through J. M. Mitchell as broker.

SMALL HOMES FINANCED.

A $318,000 Loan Will Provide for Fifty-three East Bronx Houses.

The Standard National Corporation, Richard M. Lederer, President, has made a building construction loan of $318,000 through Jacob and Emil Leitner, Inc., to the Two-in-One Housing Corporation representing David W. Keen.

The corporation will erect fifty-three three-story one-family brick houses, each 20 by 35 feet, on 25-foot lots located at Quincy, Calhoun and Lawton Avenues in the Throgg's Neck section of the East Bronx, on what was formerly part of the Archer M. Huntington estate.

The houses are designed by Slee & Bryson and will be semi-detached, have slate gable roofs, built-in garages and nine rooms and two baths.

COMMERCIAL LEASES.

Organ Builders Take Space in Steinway Hall.

Douglas L. Elliman & Co. leased to George Kilgen & Son, Inc., organ builders, of St. Louis, Mo., a suite of offices in Steinway Hall, 107 West Fifty-seventh Street. George Kilgen & Son, Inc., have offices in New York and Chicago.

Heil & Stern leased for Preferred Rentals, Stockton Building, Inc., the ninth floor in the building at 6-10 East Thirty-second Street to Abe Kahn & Co. for a long term of years.

The Chicago & Northwestern Railway has leased space on the second floor, facing Fifth Avenue, of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company Building, Forty-first Street and Fifth Avenue. Brett & Wyckoff were the brokers.

STATEN ISLAND SALE.

Benham Estate Disposes of Old Holdings in Great Kills.

One of the largest realty deals of the year on Staten Island was closed yesterday when the Benham estate heirs sold to Jacob Marx about 600 lots located in Great Kills section. Benham heirs have owned the property for over forty years.

The property fronts on the trackless trolley and Arthur Kill Road, and adjoins on one side Benham Manor No. 4, and on the other side the property recently acquired by the Realty Associates of Brooklyn. Hugh W. Murphy negotiated the sale.

Schrafft Has $2,000,000 Lease In Proposed Broadway Building

The Frank G. Shattuck Company has leased from A. E. Lefcourt, an L shaped store with two entrances, one on Broadway and the other on Thirty-seventh Street, as well as the entire basement, in the proposed Lefcourt-State Building to be erected at the northwest corner of Broadway and Thirty-seventh Street.

The lease made with Frank G. Shattuck Company, which operate the Schrafft stores, is for twenty-one years and involves over $2,000,000.

Schrafft's at present have a store on the property, which will be demolished next month to make way for the new building which will be twenty-four stories high.

BRONX CORNER SOLD FOR TAXPAYER SITE

Builders Buy White Plains Avenue Plot—Sager Resells Four Structures.

Logan Billingsley sold the subway station corner on the south side of Sagamore Street and White Plains Avenue, to the W. P. G. Realty Company, for immediate improvement with a one-story taxpayer. The plot fronts 100 feet on Sagamore Street by 80 feet on White Plains Avenue. John Reynolds was the broker in the transaction.

Joseph Sager, operator, resold to Harold S. Fleischer, 10, 12 and 14 White Plains Road, four two-story buildings, each standing on a plot, 20 by 100 feet. They rent for $12,000 and were held for $100,000. The Gamberg Company and Jack Lewis were the brokers in the transaction.

J. Grossman sold for A. J. Stack the plot, 114 by 100 feet, at the northeast corner of White Plains Avenue and 235th Street.

Murray Maran and Samuel Stein, operators, have purchased the vacant unrestricted plot at the northeast corner of Webster Avenue and Ittner Place, 63 by 71 feet, held at $30,000. They are negotiating to lease the property as a gasoline station for a long term of years. William F. Kurz was the broker in the transaction.

D. Houlihan's Sons sold for Garrett & Muller, ten lots on the east side of Bronx Boulevard, 100 feet south of 239th Street, to a client.

Bachrach & Bachrach sold for Irving Bachrach and Ira Rosenstock, 1,033 Cauldwell Avenue, a six-story new-law walk up, 70 by 50.6 feet, which rents for about $13,000.

Harry L. Marcus sold for J. C. Cunningham to Bertha Hirsch the one-family dwelling at 1,846 Paulding Avenue and for J. Armentano the one-family dwelling at 2,018 Lurting Avenue.

The same broker sold for A. Berkowitz 50 by 100 feet on the east side of Lurting Avenue, 100 feet south of Neil Avenue and sold for A. Berkowitz 50 by 100 feet on the north side of Rhinelander, 50 feet east of Lurting Avenue.

THE MARKET IN BROOKLYN.

Small Houses Bought for Occupancy and Investment.

Bulkley & Horton Company sold the one-family detached frame dwelling on a plot 40 by 100 feet, located at 2,408 Avenue K, between East Twenty-fourth and East Twenty-fifth Streets, for Mrs. Kate Goodman to a client for occupancy.

The Multiple Listing Bureau of the Brooklyn Real Estate Board reports the following sales: H. E. Esterbrook, in cooperation with a non-member broker, sold the two-story and basement two-family attached brownstone residence at 313 Stuyvesant Avenue, on a plot 19.6 by 100 feet, for Susan Marion Everett to J. Rupert for occupancy.

H. Otto Claussen, in cooperation with Frank J. Magerle, sold the two-story one-family detached dwelling at 130-05 Ninety-seventh Avenue, Richmond Hill, on a plot 21.6 by 100 feet, for William T. Golden to Christian J. Straub for investment.

Frank A. Seaver & Co. sold the plot, 100 by 100 feet, on the southwest corner of Third Avenue and Sixty-second Street for S. Adams Realty Company to a client for investment.

Fisher Properties Company sold nine lots bounded by Clarkson Avenue, East Fifty-sixth Street and Lenox Road to Henkin & Goldenberg.

JENNY LIND HOME SOLD.

Builders to Raze House Once Owned by the "Swedish Nightingale."

The Chelsea section will see the passing next Spring of the three-story mansion at 361 and 363 West Twenty-third Street, once the home of Jenny Lind, the "Swedish Nightingale." The property was sold yesterday by the Fidelity Trust Company of Philadelphia, executors of the Scott estate, which owned the site for about fifty years.

The property is 50 by 142 feet, with a strip 8 by 55 feet running through at the end of the plot to Twenty-fourth Street. It has been purchased by Abraham B. and Bernard B. Block, who will raze the residence, now occupied by the Rosae Crucis Club, and erect on the site a fifteen-story elevator apartment house. Shampan & Shampan, architects, are drawing the plans for the new building.

Queens Apartment Is Sold.

The Kleinman Construction Company sold to a client of the Hub Realty Company the new two-story brick store and apartment building on the west side of Alburtis Avenue, 52 feet north of Lurting Street, Corona, on a lot 18 by 100 feet.

Eighth Avenue Flat Leased.

Smith Douglas Realty Corporation sold through Oliver Lakin Co., Inc., their forty-two-year lease on the seven-story elevator apartment house with stores at the northeast corner of Eleventh Street and Eighth Avenue to a client.

MEDICAL BUILDING FOR EAST SIDE SITE

James H. Brown Leases Madison Avenue Corner for Sixty-three Years.

LAWYER BUYS A FLAT

Michael Freed Acquires 1,479 Madison Avenue—Deal on First Avenue.

As a site for a fourteen-story building to be devoted to the medical profession, the southeast corner of Madison Avenue and Sixty-seventh Street, known as 971-973 Madison Avenue, has been leased by Anne L. Townsend to the 971-973 Madison Avenue Corporation, James H. Brown, President.

The property fronts fifty feet on the avenue. The lease runs for a period of sixty-three years. The plot was accumulated by Mrs. Townsend within the last two years and the rest of the block, with the exception of two small holdings, has been acquired by the Ayers estate of Boston. William Cruikshank's Sons were the brokers in the lease.

Joseph A. Rauschkolb sold 1,479 Madison Avenue, between 101st and 102d Streets, 25.2 by 100 feet, a five-story and basement store and apartment building. The purchaser is Michael Freed, a lawyer. There are negotiations pending for the resale of this property.

First Avenue Flats Sold.

In another east side deal Lowenfeld & Luxenberg sold for the Stonemore Realty Company and the estate of Morris Weinstein, represented by H. Knobloch & Sons, to the Magib Realty Corporation the two four-story flats at 378 First Avenue, which is the northeast corner of Twenty-second Street and the adjoining building known as 403 East Twenty-second Street. The corner building is built on a plot 23 by 73 feet and the street building is built on a plot 26 by 50 feet. The corner property has one store.

Ryan & Co. sold for Henry Arnstein 2,619 Eighth Avenue, a five-story triple flat, with stores, on plot 27 by 100 feet, at the foot of 140th Street "L" station. This is the first sale of the property in twenty years and a resale of the property is pending.

Jerome H. Frank, operator, has purchased the three-story building at 237 West 132d Street, on a plot 16 by 100 feet, from D. Burnett.

Harry Levy sold for James Secaras 236 East Thirty-fourth Street, a lot 18 by 98.9 feet. The property is now occupied by a Greek congregation and was bought for investment.

Nehring Brothers sold for James Dillon to a client of Hidalgo Realty Corporation 511 West 152d Street, a three-story and basement dwelling, on a lot 15 by 100, held at $20,000.

PLOT IN BRONXVILLE IS SOLD TO A BUILDER

Forty Lots Near Fleetwood Station to Be Improved—Other Suburban Sales.

In Bronxville, near Fleetwood station, Shaw & Sanford sold a plot consisting of about forty lots at the corner of Vermont and Midland Avenues, having a frontage of 532 feet on Midland Avenue and 202 feet on Vermont Avenue.

This plot is surrounded on the east and north by approximately 700 feet of Bronx River Parkway property and faces on the south the new parkway connecting the Hutchinson River Valley, Bronx and Saw Mill River Parkways which is about to be constructed.

The purchaser is the Macmin Building Corporation, which intends to erect apartments on the entire plot.

The Homeland Company announced yesterday the sale of plots in Meadowbrook, Dobbs Ferry, to the following: Mary Flynn, an irregular plot fronting on Shady Lane, and Ernest Wilken, a plot, 50 by 117 feet, fronting on Hilldale Road, on which he intends to build in a year or two.

In Homestead, Colonial Heights, Yonkers, Benjamin Cooperman purchased two lots 25 by 100 feet, fronting on Minerva Drive.

Stanley Penksa purchased a plot, 40 by 100 feet, facing on Quincy Road, in section 6, Homefield, Yonkers.

William H. Marquand and Harry L. Pohs exchanged for a client twenty business lots on the west side of 164th Street, south of Union Turnpike, Jamaica, for the northeast corner of Fulton Street and Saratoga Avenue, consisting of apartments, stores and bowling alleys, together with 199 Nostrand Avenue, a two-story store building.

The same brokers exchanged the twenty lots at Jamaica for the purchaser, for a parcel on Franklyn Avenue, Lynbrook, L. I.

Ilowit & Mones, Inc. sold a plot of land in Jackson Heights, 100 by 100 feet, on the east side of Twenty-fourth Street, 200 feet south of Grand Avenue, to a local investor.

They also sold a plot, 40 by 100 feet, in the Thompson Hill section, on the west side of Van Buren Street, 123 feet north of Greenpoint Avenue, to a local investor.

Tracy, Pearl & Co., who have recently taken over the selling agency for Biltmore Shores, the $15,000,000 Fox-Frankel development at Massapequa, L. I., announced the following sales: Dorothy Jaworski, two lots on Alhambra Road and Park Lane; Hyman Friedman, three lots on Merrick and Foxhurst Roads; Olga Guckel, two lots on Alhambra Road; Frank Powers, two lots on Merrick and Foxhurst Roads.

West 52d Street Plot Sold.

L. & A. Pincus and M. L. Goldstone purchased from the Lebanon Estates Corporation 244-254 West Fifty-second Street, 123 by 100 feet, between Broadway and Eighth Avenue.

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WEST END AV., 650—High-class elevator apartment; six rooms, bath; inspection.

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Apartments—Bronx

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VYSE AV., 1,945—3-4-5 room modern apartments; immediate possession.

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Apartments—Brooklyn

Furnished.

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Unfurnished.

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Apartments—Brooklyn

Unfurnished.

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82D, 138 WEST—Attractive, sunny room, suitable two;

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—The disturbance that was over Southeastern Iowa Thursday night has advanced northeastward, Detroit 29.54 with a trough extending south and southwestward to Louisiana. Another disturbance of considerable intensity is over Northern Saskatchewan and pressure is falling rapidly over the Rocky Mountain Region. An area of high pressure covers the Southern Plains States and Iowa, whence it will move northeastward and pressure is high over the Middle and southern plateau and off the South Atlantic Coast.

The outlook is for rain on Saturday in the Ohio Valley, along the Middle and North Atlantic Coast and in the East Gulf States. Rain or rain on Sunday in the lower Lake Region and for rain Saturday and Sunday in the South Atlantic States. Elsewhere the weather will be partly overcast Saturday and Sunday in States east of the Mississippi River.

It will be colder on Saturday in the Ohio Valley, the lower Lake Region, Middle Atlantic States, the East Gulf States and in the interior of the South Atlantic States. Temperatures will rise on Sunday in the Ohio Valley and the lower Lake Region.

COUNTRY-WIDE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

In the following record of observations at United States Weather Bureau stations yesterday, the temperatures given are the highest during the twelve hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M., and the lowest during the preceding twelve hours from 8 P. M. to 8 A. M.; the barometer reading and condition of weather are those recorded at 8 P. M., and the rainfall is for the twenty-four hours ended at 8 P. M.

Station.	High.	Low.	Temperature. Barom.	Rain.	Weather.
Abilene	72	32	29.92	.54	Cloudy
Albany	34	12	29.96	.04	Cloudy
Atlanta	66	42	30.10	.04	Rain
Atlantic City	44	30	30.00	...	Cloudy
Baltimore	40	28	30.02	...	Cloudy
Beaverville	20	-6	29.90	...	Clear
Boston	38	24	29.94	.08	Rain
Buffalo	40	32	29.94	.01	Cloudy
Charleston	60	50	30.14	...	Cloudy
Chicago	28	26	30.14	.01	Clear
Cincinnati	48	40	30.14	.12	Cloudy
Cleveland	36	34	30.06	.07	Cloudy
Denver	30	4	30.18	...	Clear
Detroit	42	28	30.04	.06	Cloudy
Galveston	68	60	29.82	2.12	Cloudy
Hatteras	58	48			
Indianapolis	44	42	30.16	.14	Cloudy
Jacksonville	72	58	30.14	...	Cloudy
Kansas City	24	16	30.30	...	Clear
Los Angeles	74	42	30.14	...	Clear
Miami	76	74	30.12	...	Pt. Cl'dy
Milwaukee	32	32	30.16	...	Clear
Mpls.-St. Paul	8	-2	30.20	.20	Clear
New Orleans	80	70	29.90	.02	Cloudy
New York	39	28	30.06	...	Cloudy
Norfolk	52	38	30.12	.01	Cloudy
Oklahoma City	28	28	30.22	...	Clear
Philadelphia	42	30	30.06	...	Rain
Pittsburgh	46	36	30.02	.04	Cloudy
Portland, Me.	34	16	29.98	.01	Rain
Portland, Ore.	44	32	30.04	.40	Cloudy
Raleigh	46	36	30.18	.14	Rain
Salt Lake City	22	10	30.38	...	Cloudy
San Antonio	66	56	30.02	.04	Cloudy
San Diego	60	44	30.20	...	Clear
San Francisco	52	42	30.32	...	Cloudy
Seattle	50	44	30.50	...	Clear
St. Louis	32	32	30.26	.04	Cloudy
Washington	42	30	30.04	...	Cloudy

Eastern Pennsylvania and Western New York—Partly cloudy and colder Saturday; Sunday increasing cloudiness, with rising temperature, followed by rain.

District of Columbia—Cloudy and colder, preceded by rain in early morning Saturday; Sunday partly cloudy.

Eastern New York, Eastern Pennsylvania—Partly cloudy and colder, preceded by rain in early morning in extreme south portion Saturday; Sunday cloudy.

New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland—Cloudy, preceded by rain Saturday morning; colder at night; Sunday cloudy.

Northern New England—Cloudy, possibly rain; colder in Vermont Saturday; Sunday partly cloudy and colder.

Southern New England—Cloudy, preceded by rain on the coast; colder in Western Massachusetts Saturday; colder at night; Sunday cloudy.

NEW YORK CITY WEATHER RECORDS.

Official Temperatures.

1 A.M.	27	12 P.M.	38
2 A.M.	29	1 P.M.	38
3 A.M.	32	2 P.M.	38
4 A.M.	33	3 P.M.	39
5 A.M.	35	4 P.M.	39
11 A.M.	37	5 P.M.	39
		6 P.M.	38
		7 P.M.	38
		8 P.M.	38
		9 P.M.	37
		10 P.M.	37
		11 P.M.	37

Average temperature yesterday, 33.
Average temperature same date last year, 32.
Average temperature for forty-two years, 33.
Highest yesterday, 39, at 5 P. M.; low 27, at 12 P. M.

Barometer—8 A. M., 30.35; 8 P. M., 30.05.
Humidity—8 A. M., 71; 8 P. M., 87.
Wind—8 A. M., southwest, velocity, sixteen miles; 8 P. M., west, velocity, twelve miles.
Weather—8 A. M., cloudy; 8 P. M., cloudy.

Weather in Cotton and Grain States.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Forecast:

North Carolina—Rain; colder in west Saturday; Sunday probably rain, colder on the coast.

South Carolina—Rain; colder in northwest portion Saturday; Sunday probably rain, colder in east portion.

Georgia—Rain Saturday and probably Sunday; slightly colder Saturday.

Florida—Partly cloudy, with rain in north and colder in northwest portion Saturday; Sunday rain.

Extreme Northwest Florida and Alabama—Rain and colder Saturday; Sunday partly cloudy.

Mississippi—Cloudy, with rain and colder in central and south portions Saturday; Sunday partly cloudy, warmer in south.

Tennessee—Rain and colder Saturday; Sunday partly cloudy and warmer, followed by rain.

Kentucky—Cloudy, possibly rain Saturday; Sunday partly cloudy and warmer, followed by rain.

Ohio—Partly cloudy and colder Saturday; Sunday increasing cloudiness with rising temperature, followed by rain.

Illinois—Fair Saturday, slightly warmer in afternoon in west; Sunday cloudy to partly cloudy with rising temperature, probably some rain or snow in north.

Indiana—Fair Saturday, Sunday increasing cloudiness with rising temperature; unsettled in north.

Lower Michigan—Mostly fair Saturday; slightly colder in extreme east; Sunday cloudy with rising temperature, probably snow or rain by or before night.

Upper Michigan—Mostly fair Saturday, slightly colder in extreme east; Sunday probably snow with rising temperature.

Wisconsin—Generally fair, slowly rising temperature Saturday; Sunday unsettled, warmer east and south, probably some snow or rain.

Missouri—Fair Saturday, followed by increasing cloudiness Sunday; rising temperature.

Iowa—Fair with rising temperature Saturday; Sunday unsettled, probably local snow or rain east and central portion; warmer in east and south.

Minnesota—Increasing cloudiness with rising temperature Saturday; unsettled in northwest; probably some snow Saturday night or Sunday.

North Dakota—Unsettled Saturday, somewhat warmer in south and extreme east; Sunday unsettled.

South Dakota—Generally fair Saturday, somewhat warmer; Sunday partly cloudy.

Nebraska—Fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday probably fair except for some cloudiness.

Kansas—Generally fair Saturday and Sunday, rising temperature Saturday and in southeast Sunday.

Fire Record.

A.M.		Loss.
11:36	Front of 701 W. 175 St.; rubbish, not given	None
11:53	159 and Exterior Sts., Bronx; rubbish, not given	None
1:30	128 W. 109 St.; not given	None
2:30	204 W. 23d St.; Construction and Foundry Corp.	Not given
2:35	245 E. 21 St.; Sullivan	Not given
2:37	17 W. 42 St.; not given	Not given
3:35	478 W. 193 St.; not given	Trifling
4:10	265 Eldridge St.; not given	Trifling
4:20	370 St. Nicholas Av.; not given	Trifling
9:00	316 E. 84 St.; not given	Not given
9:25	In front of 15 Broome St.; auto truck, Delacy	Trifling
9:30	58 Stanton St.; Abraham Hyman	Trifling
P.M.		
10:16	221 E. 127 St.; M. Bradley	Not given
11:25	174 St. and Weeks Av., Bronx; New York Edison pole	Not given
12:45	Foot of W. 52 St.; scow, Department	Trifling
1:45	32 Willett St.; C. Kreo	Trifling
2:36	184 Lenox Av.; not given	Trifling
2:45	1,163 Bronx Park East; not given	Trifling
3:20	438 St. Nicholas Av.; not given	Trifling
3:50	Foot of E. 46 St.; D. S. C. scow	Trifling
4:25	433 E. 119 St.; R. Conforte	Trifling
4:33	154 E. 61st St.; not given	Trifling
4:40	374 Wadsworth Av.; H. Freud	Trifling
4:47	347 Broadway; Saks Brothers	Trifling
4:50	25 E. 29 St.; M. Rothchild	Trifling
5:30	25 E. 123 St.; not given	Trifling
5:50	59 Greenwich St.; not given	Trifling
7:50	1,050 2 Av.; automobile; not given	Trifling
7:50	79 St. and 2 Av.; automobile; not given	Trifling
8:20	228 Madison St.; not given	Trifling
8:36	612 W. 144 St.; S. Godfrey	Trifling
8:40	231 East Broadway; not given	Trifling
8:42	6 Av.; not given	Trifling
8:45	50 Union Av., the Bronx; three-story building occupied by Paul Modest College; damage considerable; two alarms	
9:10	214 E. 107 St.; not given	Trifling
9:20	383 9 Av.; J. Habriel	Trifling
9:30	216 E. 83 St.; M. Patt; automobile; not given	Trifling
9:39	24 Cooper Square; L. Bartle & Sons, Inc.	Not given
9:50	466 E. 24 St.; not given	Trifling

Police Department.

These orders were issued yesterday:

Reinstatements.

AS PATROLMAN—FIRST GRADE.
James T. Greaney, to 18th Division, Police Academy.

AS PATROLMAN—FOURTH GRADE.
Wesley S. Hults, to 18th Division, Police Academy.
Michael C. Depermo, to 18th Division, Police Academy.

AS PATROLMAN—FIFTH GRADE.
James E. Donahoe Jr., to 18th Division, Police Academy.

AS PATROLMAN—SEVENTH GRADE.
Robert F. Buhler, to 18th Division, Police Academy.

Transfers and Assignments.

LIEUTENAT—John Murray, from 5-A Precinct to 18th Division, Police Academy.

PATROLMEN—William P. Morgan, from 1st Precinct to Traffic B; Eugene Gallecher, 3d Precinct, assigned as Inspector of Licensed Hacks in 5-A Precinct in addition to his other duties; John H. Gilligan, 5-A Precinct, assigned as Inspector of Licensed Hacks in 1st and 2d Precincts in addition to his other duties; Lawrence J. O'Brien, from 13th Precinct to Traffic A; William H. Dwyer, 20th Precinct to 17th Precinct.

POLICEWOMEN—Loretta M. Hayes, from 31st Precinct to 42d Precinct, assignment to matron duty continued. Anna Byron, from 42d Precinct to 31st Precinct, assignment to matron duty continued.

Temporary Assignments.

DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR—Edwin H. West, 9th Division in charge of 1st Division, in addition to his other duties, for 4 days, during absence of Inspector on vacation and excused from duty.

SURGEON—Francis J. Murray, 4th Surgical District, in charge of 5th Surgical District in addition to his other duties, for 2 days, during absence of Surgeon on vacation.

LIEUTENANTS—Charles L. Neidig, 43d Precinct to 12th Division, assigned as supervisor of patrol in uniform, for 15 days; James Lawlor, 65th Precinct to 15th Division, assigned as supervisor of patrol in uniform, for 15 days.

SERGEANT—Hugo Schuster, 54th Precinct, assigned to day tour and excused from reserve duty, for 30 days.

PATROLMEN—Charles F. Koegel, 10-A Precinct, assigned to day tour and excused from reserve duty for 30 days.

For 15 days from Jan. 1, Thomas Fitzpatrick, 3-A Precinct to 18th Division, Quartermaster's Department, to duty in Division of Supplies. Henry J. Handy, 46th Precinct to 15th Division, assigned as chauffeur to Deputy Chief Inspector. 48th Precinct to 13th Division, assigned to clerical duty. Walter L. Nixon, 56th precinct to 18th Division, Quartermaster's Department to duty at Department Storehouse.

From precincts indicated to 15th Division, assigned to duty in plain clothes: William A. Moore, 4; John J. McGorry, 65; Victor O'Hard, 3.

From precincts indicated to 18th Division, office of Chief Clerk; assigned to clerical duty: Charles Lang, 40; Ernest T. Enck, 48-A.

From precincts indicated to 18th Division, Division of Transportation, to duty at Department Garage: John Stoll, 8; Charles Pessoni, 12.

From precincts indicated to 18th Division, Division of Transportation, to duty at Department Training Stable: John J. Duggan, 11; John J. Brennan, Traf. D.

From precincts indicated to 18th Division, Division of Transportation; Cornelius J. Cahill, 20; Daniel F. Leary, 42; William J. Kingston, Traf. A; Charles Meanninger, 34; Frederick Nau, 56.

POLICEWOMAN Barbara Popken, 18th Division, to 47th Precinct, assigned to matron duty for 5 days during absence of Policewoman on vacation.

Leaves With Pay.

INSPECTOR Thomas P. Cummings, 1st Division, for 3 days, balance of vacation.

SURGEON Edward J. Davin, 5th Surgical District, for 2 days, balance of vacation.

Leaves Without Pay.

PATROLMEN Francis McKenna, 17th Precinct, for 1 day; John J. McGrady, 24th Precinct, 1 day; Charles V. Bundrick, 1 day; Harry J. Haas, 1 day.

Sick Leaves Granted.

PATROLMEN John J. O'Neill, 11th Precinct, for 30 days, from Dec. 29; Barnet Hozinsky, 46th Precinct, for 30 days.

Pay While on Sick Report.

PATROLMAN Charles G. Pierson, Traffic A, from Nov. 13 to Nov. 21.

Pay While Under Suspension.

PROBATIONARY PATROLMAN — Arthur H. Dix, 12th Precinct, from Aug. 20, to Aug. 27.

Revocations.

So much of paragraph 4, S. O. 339, c. s., as grants leave of absence without pay to Patrolman Linus G. Boll, 10th Precinct, and Robert H. Miller, 10th Precinct, for 1 day, from 8 A. M., Dec. 25, is revoked.

Deaths Reported.

LIEUTENANT—Andred J. Devery, 2d Precinct, died Dec. 23, at his residence, 2,250 Creston Avenue, the Bronx. Funeral from his late residence at 9:30 A. M., Dec. 27. Interment Calvary Cemetery.

RETIRED PATROLMAN—Patrick Donnelly, formerly attached to the old 73d Precinct; died Dec. 23, at New York Hospital. Funeral from Delaney's Funeral Parlors, 241 West 14th Street, at 10 A. M., Dec. 24. Interment Calvary Cemetery.

Army Orders and Assignments.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The War Department issued these orders today:

Miscellaneous.

Glithero, Capt. J. C., Inf., to home, Cassaday, 1st Lt. B. B., A. C., to Advanced Flying School.

Following officers of M. C. to Washington, D. C.: Souder, Maj. C. G.; Lanahan, Capt. C. R.; Lloyd, Capt. R. S.; Hight, 1st Lt. C. E.; Worrell, 1st Lt. J. A. Jr.; Billik, 1st Lt. E. W.; Kraus, 1st Lt. W.; Belknap, 1st Lt. H. D.; Gilmore, 1st Lt. H. R., Jr.; McIntyre, 1st Lt. C. A.

Following officers of M. C. to N. Y., sail for San Fran. about June 30; Cook, Capt. E. L. C.; Arestad, 1st Lt. F.; Sorensen, 1st Lt. E. C.; McDowell, 1st Lt. C. A.; Lill, 1st Lt. R. C.; Ruedy, 1st Lt. V. E.; Armstrong, 1st Lt. G. E.; French, 1st Lt. W. O., Jr.

Following officers of M. C. to Denver, Col.: Price, Capt. H. H.; Dingman, 1st Lt. C. W.; Green, 1st Lt. M. M.; Shamboro, 1st Lt. W. E.; Moxness, 1st Lt. B. A.; Tomlinson, 1st Lt. H. E.

Following officers of M. C. to station as indicated: Boyle, Capt. W. A., Ft. Des Moines, Ia.; Stacey, Capt. R. K., Ft. Humphreys, Va.; Ducat, Capt. R., Ft. Clark, Tex.; Hickson, Capt. F. E., Ft. Benning, Ga.; Scott, Capt. V. T., Platts burg Barracks, N. Y.; Means, 1st Lt. M. T., Ft. Benning, Ga.; Smith, 1st Lt. S. G., Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.; Young, 1st Lt. D. M., Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.; Moore, 1st Lt. L. D., Ft. Benning, Ga.; Ringer, 1st Lt. M. G., Ft. Sheridan; Beasley, 1st Lt. C. H., Ft. Riley; Best, 1st Lt. C. A., Ft. Riley; Allins, 1st Lt. E., El Paso; Gorby, 1st Lt. A. L., El Paso; Gray, 1st Lt. C. A., El Paso.

Following officers of M. C. to Ft. Sam Houston, Texas: Welsh, 1st Lt. A. B.; Standler, 1st Lt. E. G.; Hewitt, 1st Lt. R. E.; Griffin, 1st Lt. M. E.

Lafrenz, Capt. W. F., C. A. C., to Ft. Monroe, Va.

Rich, Maj. A. T., Inf., transferred to Ft. Benj. Harrison, Ind.

Leaves.

Hockwald, Capt. H., Q. M. C., 1 mo.

National Guard Orders.

Special to The New York Times.

ALBANY, Dec. 24.—These National Guard orders were bulletined today:

COMMISSIONS.

Aldridge, Capt. I. L., 369th Inf., for assignment to Co. H.

Zollo, Capt. C., 245th C. A., for assignment to Battery I.

Hooper, 2d Lt. O. L., 369th Inf., for assignment to 1st Bttn., Hdqrs. Co.

Mathies, 1st Lt. C. A., to report to 1st Bttn., M., N. Y. N. for duty.

RESIGNATION.

Stedman, 1st Lt. W. T., 14th Inf., honorably discharged.

Naval Orders.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The Bureau of Navigation issued these orders today:

REAR ADMIRAL.

Leigh, R. H., to Bureau of Navigation.

CAPTAINS.

Gay, J. B., to San Francisco.
Cocke, H. C., to U. S. S. Melville.

STUDIES PROPERTY LAWS.

New Jersey Board Favors Changes in Dower and Curtesy Statutes.

Special to The New York Times.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 24.—Equalization of the laws of property rights incident to Dower and Curtesy will be sought at the coming session of the Legislature by the commission named to study the statutes on that subject. It will be proposed, however, that the changes not become effective until Dec. 31, 1928, in order to permit the correlating of other legislation. Senator Clarence E. Case of Somerset, Chairman of the commission made this announcement today. Assistant Attorney General Joseph Lanigan has been asked, he said, to draft the necessary bills.

At present a wife is entitled to one-third of her husband's estate, and the husband, provided there is a child, to one-half of the wife's estate. The laws as revised would entitle the wife to one-half of her husband's estate, and the husband would have the same interest in the estate of his wife, irrespective of whether there are children.

Wills for Probate.

Manhattan.

KUHN, ABE S. (Nov. 19). Estate, more than $20,000. To Rosa K. Lowy, sister, of Chicago, $1,000 annuity; residue equally to brothers, Lee E. Kuhn, executor, 709 West 116th Street, and Archie A. Kuhn, same address.

LEDERER, JOSEPH B. (Nov. 22). Estate, $10,000. To Emil Lederer of 37 Madison Avenue, father and executor.

LOWER, IDA E. (Aug. 11). Estate, more than $10,000. To Alethe C. Venable of Washington, D. C., cousin; Florence C. Denys, Brussels, Belgium, cousin, $10,000; George L. Koobe of 102 East Eightieth Street, $5,000; others get a contingent interest. Executor, George L. Koobe.

SCHREIBER, JEROME E. (Dec. 16). Estate, less than $10,000. To Estelle Schreiber, 3,647 Broadway, widow and executrix.

WHELAN, KATE C. Dec. 14). Estate, $5,000, to Michael Whelan, 244 East Thirty-ninth Street, husband. Executrix, Kathryn M. Whelan, same address.

Kings.

BRUNKE, JULIUS (May 21). Estate, $3,100. To Bertha Brunke, widow and executrix, 1,254 Madison Street, Brooklyn.

BUCKLEY, EMMA F. (Nov. 4). Estate, more than $16,000. To Monroe G. Buckley, stepson, 123 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn; to William B. Starkweather, 239 Midwood Street, Brooklyn, and to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Coles, Jamesport, L. I., sharing together $5,000 each. Residue to Mary Mix, 304 Lenox Road, Brooklyn. James F. Brady, 449 Seventh Street, Brooklyn, executor.

GORODESS, JACOB (Nov. 29). Estate, $7,850. To son, Daniel, 608 East Eighth Street, Brooklyn. Max Gorodess, brother; John L. Bernstein, cousin, and Samuel Brodsky, brother-in-law.

HEGEMAN, ANNA M. (Dec. 11). Estate, more than $3,000. To Frank and Margaret Hegeman, children and executors, 1,287 East Fortieth Street, Brooklyn.

HIBBARD, ANNIE L. (Sept. 6). Estate, $400. To Frank H. Hibbard, son and executor, 706 East Twelfth Street, Brooklyn.

KANE, CHARLES W. (Dec. 13). Estate, more than $20,000. Bulk to children, Frank E. Kane, 3 St. Paul's Place; Charles A. Kane, 1,548 Ryder Street; Louis J. Kane, 221 Stuyvesant Avenue; Emma L. Lynch, 221 Stuyvesant Avenue, all of Brooklyn. Executors, Frank E. Kane, son, and Farmers' Loan and Trust Company.

PERSKY, NATHAN (Dec. 17). Estate, more than $11,000. To seven children, one-eighth each, Remaining eighth to Doris and Ross Hahn, grandchildren. Frank Lippman, son-in-law, 285 Argyle Road, and Joseph M. Persky, 576 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, executors.

SACHTER, MAX (Nov. 11). Estate, not estimated. To widow, Sylvia Sachter, 2,133 East Seventh Street, Brooklyn, executrix.

Queens.

DANNENHOFFER, MARIA (Nov. 21). Estate, $12,000 real and $2,850 personal. To St. Mary's Hospital of Jamaica, St. Anthony's Hospital of Woodhaven, and Helena Muller of 291 Central Avenue, Brooklyn, $100 each; to Ste Catherine's Hospital of Brooklyn, the Rev. Andrew Klarman of Eighty-eighth Avenue, Woodhaven, for the Roman Catholic School of St. Thomas, Woodhaven, and Caroline Bender of 110-97 Eighty-fifth Avenue, Woodhaven, $200 each; to St. Thomas's Church, Woodhaven, for Building Fund, $300; to the poor Catholics in Germany, $200; to the nieces, Mary Rennenberg, of 8,718 Eighty-fifth Street, Woodhaven, and Emily Marshall, same address, and the nephew, John Rennenberg, same address, $1,000 each; residue to the sisters. Margaret Eachenbrenner, now deceased, Felecita Rennenberg, now deceased, Catherine Eachenbrenner, of 8,813 Eighty-seventh Street, Woodhaven, and brother, Louis Eachenbrenner, of Eighty-seventh Street, Woodhaven, executor.

HEINSTADT, JOHN (Oct. 7). Estate of $5,200, real, and $500 personal. To son, John P. Heinstadt, of 121-08 Eighty-ninth Avenue, Richmond Hill, $500; residue to widow, Bertha E. Heinstadt, of 9,148 Lefferts Avenue, Richmond Hill, executrix.

PATTON, CLARA B. (Nov. 10). Estate, $4,000 real, and $200 personal. To Edna M. Patton of 3,220 160th Street, Corona.

Westchester.

MAIRS, EDWIN H., Irvington (Nov. 30). Estate, $300,000, to Katharine E. Mairs, wife, of Irvington, executrix. L. Emmet Holt and Howard E. White are named trustees of special trust created upon death of wife. A codicil directed that $15,000 be paid to John Dows Mairs, a son, and Mary M. Mairs, his wife, as trustees for grandson, Edwin Hays Mairs, 2d, and $3,000 to Mary Dake Mairs.

MACKAY, ANNIE BARNES, White Plains (Nov. 22). Real and personal estate, more than $19,000. To these children: Madeline Mackay Childress of Hartdale, Lois Mackay Elliman of White Plains, Donald Mackay, 277 Park Avenue, Manhattan; Hugh Alfred B. and George D. Mackay of Pleasantville. Donald and Alfred B. Mackay, executors.

QUINN, MICHAEL, Mount Vernon (Dec. 15). Real and personal estate, more than $13,000. To Nellie T. Quinn and Bessie Kennedy, sisters, $1,000 each; Mary T. Devitt, niece, $500; Mary E., Dorothy, John and Grace Quinn, grandchildren, $1,000 each; Philmene L. Quinn, $1,000; residue to Charles M. and J. Edward Quinn, sons, both of Mount Vernon. J. Edward Quinn, executor.

MURPHY, LEAH R., Yonkers. Estate to Hannah C. Warren of 123 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers, executrix.

Estates Appraised.

Kings.

COULTER, ISABEL E. (Dec. 6, 1915). Gross estate, $2,944; net, $2,235. To parents, Jennie and Andrew Coulton, 288 Seventeenth Street, Brooklyn.

FREAR, H. J. (Feb. 2, 1915). Estate, $500. To widow, Mora M. Frear, Roseburg, Ore.

FRESHMAN, EDWARD A. (Nov. 28, 1925). Gross estate, $49,561; net, $45,081. To Susan T. Freshman, widow, 200 Hicks Street, Brooklyn.

HALBERT, WILLIAM (Nov. 8, 1925). Gross estate, $495,600; net, $444,277. To Albert B. Newman, 2,100th Avenue, Queens Village, $12,315; Jennie B. Wilson, 53 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, $12,315; George Halbert, son, 118 South Elliott Place, Brooklyn, life annuity of $1,000; Marion H. Roe, sister, 63 Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, life estate in $32,000; James Anderson, 924 East Fifteenth Street, Brooklyn, $11,315; Isabel Halbert, widow, 118 South Elliott Place, life estate in $177,965; Isabel H. H. Fuller, daughter, Midland Avenue, Bronxville, life estate in $177,965.

KOHLMANN, MARTIN (June 22, 1926). Gross estate, $118,383; net, $109,356. To Henry Kohlmann, brother, 230 St. Nicholas Avenue, Brooklyn; $28,000 to John Kohlmann, brother, 961 East Twenty-eighth Street, Brooklyn, and Anna C. [illegible] sister, Clinton Corners, N. Y., $2,[illegible] each. Small amounts to other relatives.

REILLY, MICHAEL (Nov. 20, 1922). Gross estate, $78,461; net, $36,140. To John Reilly, son, 179 Amity Street, Brooklyn, $6,050; Frank, Joseph, Edward, Anna and Mollie Reilly, children, same address, $10,018 each.

SHIPPING AND MAILS

Hours are given in Eastern Standard Time.

THE TIDES.

	Sandy Hook. A.M.	Sandy Hook. P.M.	Governors Island. A.M.	Governors Island. P.M.	Hell Gate. A.M.	Hell Gate. P.M.
High water	11:40	.....	0:28	12:20	2:15	2:15
Low water	3:53	6:20	6:45	7:18	9:18	9:35

THE SUN.

	Rises.	Sets.
A.M.	7:18	4:34
P.M.		

Steamships Arrived Yesterday

Steamer.	From.	Date.
TIVIVES	Sta. Marta	Dec. 14
MUNARGO	Nassau	Dec. 21
SAUCON	Marseilles	Dec. 4
NORDEK	Baltimore	
EL COSTON	Galveston	Dec. 18
MICHAEL TRACY	Norfolk	
ST. MIHIEL	Cristobal	Dec. 17
WALTER D. NOYES	Norfolk	
VIRGINIA EXPRESS	Richmond	
J. WORTHINGTON	Baton Rouge	Dec. 16
JOHN TRACY	Norfolk	
GARACOLI	Havre	Dec. 6
CITY OF FREEPORT	Carteret, N.J.	
CHIPPEWA	Porto Plata	
CITY OF BOMBAY	Boston	
JEFFERSON	Norfolk	
STEEL SEAFARER	Boston	
GEO. WASHINGTON	Miami	Dec. 22
BENGUELA	Sierra Leone	Dec. 5

Incoming Steamships

Steamer and Line.	Sailed From.	Due.	Will Dock.
*ARABIC, White Star	Antwerp, Dec. 14	†Today, A.M.	W. 17th St.
*EDISON, Greek	Patras, Dec. 11	†Tomorrow, A.M.	29th St., Bkn.
*PASTORES, United Fruit	Limon, Dec. 18	†Tomorrow, P.M.	Fulton St.
*ET. ST. GEORGE, Furness B.	Bermuda, Dec. 24	†Tomorrow, P.M.	W. 35th St.
*TACHIRA, Red D	Curacao, Dec. 18	†Tomorrow	Furman St., Bn
*SAMARIA, Cunard	Liverpool, Dec. 18	Monday, late	W. 14th St.
*CELTIC, White Star	Liverpool, Dec. 18	Monday	W. 18th St.
*HAMBURG, Hamb. Amer	Hamburg, Dec. 17	Monday	W. 46th St.
*ATHENIA, Anchor	Glasgow, Dec. 17	Monday, late	W. 14th St.
*MINNEWASKA, Atl. Trans	London, Dec. 18	Monday	W. 16th St.
*DUILIO, Italian	Genoa, Dec. 17	Monday	W. 57th St.
*VOLTAIRE, Lamport & Holt	Buenos Aires, Dec. 6	Monday	14th St., Hob.
*SANTA TERESA, Grace	Valparaiso, Dec.	Monday, A.M.	HamiltonAv., Bn
*SAN LORENZO, Porto Rico	San Juan, Dec. 22	Monday, A.M.	HamiltonAv., Bn
*HURON, Clyde	Santo Dom., Dec. 22	Monday, P.M.	HamiltonAv., Bn
*MAJESTIC, White Star	Southampton, Dec. 22	Tuesday	W. 17th St.
*AMER. MERCHANT, Am. Mer	London, Dec. 18	Tuesday	Rector St.
*LA MAREA, United Fruit	Barrios, Dec. 21	Tuesday	Rector St.
*SIBONEY, N. Y. & Cuba	Havana, Dec. 23	Tuesday, A.M.	Wall St.
*BARACOA, Colombian	P. Colombia, Dec. 17	Tuesday, A.M.	Wall St., Bkn
*MEXICO, N. Y. & Cuba	Progreso, Dec. 22	Tuesday, A.M.	Joralemon St., Bn
*FALCON, Red D	Maracaibo, Dec. 18	Wednesday	Furman St., Bn
*BREMEN, Nor. Ger. Lloyd	Bremen, Dec. 19	Thursday	6th St., Hob.
*M. WASHINGTON, Cosulich	Trieste, Dec. 14	Thursday	41st St., Bkn.
*RESOLUTE, Hamb. Amer	Hamburg, Dec. 21	Thursday	W. 46th St.
*MUNARGO, Munson	Nassau, Dec. 27	Thursday	Old Slip.
*SILVIA, Red Cross	St. John's, Dec. 20	Thursday	Java St., Bkn.
*SIXAOLA, United Fruit	Sta. Marta, Dec. 19	Thursday	Fulton St.
*DE GRASSE, French	Havre, Dec. 22	Friday	W. 15th St.
*SINAIA, Fabre	Marseilles, Nov. 26	Saturday	31st St., Bkn.
*PENNLAND, Red Star	Antwerp, Dec. 22	Saturday	W. 20th St.
*AMOR, Royal Dutch	La Guayra,	Saturday	Montague St., Bn

*Carries mail. †Reported by wireless.

Outgoing Passenger and Mail Steamships

The following table shows the names of steamers, the lines operating them, their destination, when their mails close (at General Postoffice and City Hall Station), when they sail, location of piers and points for which they carry mail:

SAIL TODAY (Dec. 25)

METAPAN (United Fruit Co.), Barrios (mails close 8 A. M.; sails noon), Fulton St. Puerto Castilla, Tela and Trujillo. Cuba, Jamaica, Guatemala, Salvador and other parts of Honduras must be specially addressed. Also parcel post. Registered mail closes at midnight Friday.

CALAMARES (United Fruit Co.), Limon (mails close 8:30 A. M.; sails 11 A. M.), Rector St. Costa Rica, Canal Zone, Panama, Nicaragua (except east coast), Amapala City, Cholutecа, Cauca and Narino Departments of Colombia, Ecuador, and printed matter for Nacaome, Tegucigalpa and Yuscaran. Cuba must be specially addressed. Parcel post for the above and Salvador. Registered mail closes midnight Friday.

SAIL TOMORROW (Dec. 26)

NERISSA (Red Cross Line), St. John's (mails close 8 A. M.; sails 11 A. M.), Java St., Brooklyn. Newfoundland. Also parcel post. Registered mail closes midnight Friday.

SAIL MONDAY (Dec. 27)

DEUTSCHLAND (Hamburg American Line), Hamburg (mails close 6:30 P. M., Sunday; sails 12:01 A. M.), W. 46th St. France, Germany and Great Britain. Must be specially addressed. Registered mail closes at midnight Saturday.

PARIS (French Line), Havre (mails close *6 A. M.; sails 10 A. M.), W. 15th St. Europe, Africa and West Asia. Canaries must be specially addressed.

OLYMPIC (White Star Line), Southampton (mails close 7 P. M.; sails midnight), W. 17th St. Europe, Africa and West Asia. Canaries must be specially addressed. Connecting dispatch for Cairo-Bagdad air mail. Supplementary mail at Varick St. station up to 10:45 P. M.

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Must Pay Alimony Despite Gifts.

The Appellate Division in Brooklyn upheld yesterday the report of Referee Russell Benedict, awarding to Mrs. Violet B. Ellicott of 134 Croton Avenue, Mount Kisco, a temporary increase in alimony to $1,000 a month to make up for failure of her divorced husband, Charles R. Ellicott, coal broker of 50 Church Street, to pay her regularly. The court reversed the decision of Justice Burt J. Humphrey, who had rejected the referee's opinion because Ellicott pleaded he had made gifts to his wife amounting to $74,000 since she obtained her divorce in 1919.

FINDS BRONX JAIL POORLY GUARDED

Prison Commission Warns of an Outbreak Similar to That at Tombs Recently.

VISITING SYSTEM ASSAILED

Additional Keepers Are Urged for Inside Duty and Watchmen to Patrol Outside Area.

Special to The New York Times.

ALBANY, Dec. 24.—Possibilities of a wholesale jail delivery from the Bronx County Jail, which is now being closely guarded since the recent outbreak in the Tombs, are pointed out in a report made public today by the State Commission of Prisons. The jail at 177th Street and Arthur Avenue and the Annex at 161st Street and Third Avenue were inspected recently by Chairman John S. Kennedy and Leon C. Weinstock of the commission.

The report stresses that the jail is the only one of its kind in the State, that it occupies five floors of what was once the Bergen Building and which the City of New York purchased. The question raised by the inspectors is whether the property is too valuable to be used for jail purposes in view of the steadily increasing population of the Borough of the Bronx.

"There is much to criticize in the present scheme of admitting visitors to the jail," the report says, "because of the limited and, in our opinion, absolutely unsafe quarters provided for this purpose. Visitors have to be admitted into the jail proper before they can be searched. It is then possible to search male prisoners, but women are not searched because no matron is assigned here and no room is provided where this can be done.

"Both men and women visitors entering the jail pass through a room which is adjacent to the kitchen and in which trusties are employed. Even with the supervision as given it would be easy for visitors to pass contraband and weapons to trusties or prisoners who might be called to the main floor of the jail at that time.

"Failure to search women prisoners is fraught with no end of danger. Immediate arrangements should be made to have a matron appointed and all female visitors searched because of the ease with which they could bring in contraband or weapons.

Urges Longer Visiting Period.

"Visiting hours are from 11 to 12 o'clock each day. The time is not extended because of the lack of keepers to supervise at other hours. It is stated that at times as many as fifty visitors are in these quarters and there are many prisoners at the other side of a single screen during that time. Sufficient help should be provided at once so that the visiting hours can be extended and spread the number of visitors over a longer period of the day and thus lessen the danger of allowing such a large crowd inside the jail at one time.

"There is great danger of an outbreak in allowing this large number of visitors in the jail with the few officers in charge, as they could be overpowered, their keys taken from them, and a jail delivery effected. There should be double screening between prisoners and visitors for security sake, as well as to prevent the passing of contraband through the screen.

"The transporting of prisoners up and down the building in an elevator, attended only by an elevator operator along in years, is most dangerous. As many as ten men are sent down for visits at one time. At any time this man might be overpowered and prisoners could run the elevator to the upper floors and escape through the court rooms or District Attorney's office."

The report then goes on:

"At the entrance of the jail there is an ever-present danger, by reason of the present construction of the main door, in that visitors can approach same without being seen, and when the keeper at the gate opens the slide in the door a gun could be thrust through the door and the keeper covered.

"This is particularly dangerous after the day shift goes off duty. The slide in the door must be opened at all hours of the night, by reason of the fact that bondsmen and others come to the door and request transcripts or pay cash bail.

North Gate Is Unprotected.

"Outside on the north of the jail there is a gate and door opening into an areaway, which is unprotected and leads into an alley, which runs to 177th street, wherein a number of persons could hide after dark; also, on the same side and beyond the door and the areaway surrounding the jail is another areaway, the fire exit in the rear of a theatre, which is always open and leads to Belmont Avenue. Men continuously come into this alley and call to the prisoners on the north tiers.

"Immediately adjoining the rear of the prison is a vacant lot which fronts o Belmont Avenue. A person standing in this lot could call into the windows on the corridors where prisoners exercise and call into the kitchen. A fire-escape separates the prison from the lot, and if a prisoner went up the fire-escape it is very likely that he could find some door open on some of the floors above the prison, or at times enter the court rooms and from there he could readily escape by walking down the public stairway of the building.

"On the south side of the prison serious danger exists. Here again there is a vacant lot adjoining the prison and fronting on Arthur Avenue. A person could walk from there and stand on the stone retaining wall outside the prison and talk into any of the cells on the south side, and in some instances be within twenty feet of the prisoner in his cell. Only recently a man was found talking to a prisoner charged with murder, with only this short space between them.

"Civil prisoners and witnesses are kept in a dormitory in the front of the jail, facing Arthur Avenue, one story above the sidewalk. The windows in the dormitory are barred but are without wire screening, and it would be an easy matter to lower a cord from the dormitory to the sidewalk, a distance of one story, and get guns or other contraband into the jail. These articles could then very easily be passed to a trusty for use in the jail.

Wire Screening Advised.

"The windows of the dormitory on the second floor should be immediately covered with heavy close-mesh wire screening to prevent this danger. At the present time and since the outbreak at the Tombs Prison two police officers have been constantly on guard at the front and rear of the jail. It is strongly recommended that, pending final safeguarding of the outside of the jail, an armed watchman patrol this section, the two sides and rear of the jail.

"This patrol is particularly necessary after dark. As soon as the present police officers are released from that work the Sheriff should provide for such patrol protection."

Attention is called to the danger in the County Court, Part 1, where prisoners are led along the outside of the court room, in which are several windows, separated from the audience by a railing only four feet high. Another dangerous condition exists in taking prisoners to and from the County Court.

The inspectors also report that the entrance to the 161st Street jail annex is dangerous, because persons can come in from the street to the barred entrance and might effect a hold-up of the officers on duty and a possible jail delivery.

The report says that prisoners are allowed to retain all money and valuables brought in with them, and this is frowned upon as an improper privilege. The investigators also urged that the prison barber, "without any attempt to impugn the honesty of the present man, should be searched every time he comes into or goes out of the jail."

Acting Warden Agrees With Board.

William A. Keating, counsel to the Sheriff of Bronx County and who has been supervising the Bronx jail since the death of Warden Edmund K. Butler, pending the appointment of a successor, yesterday agreed with the report of the State Prison Commission on conditions in the jail. He said that there is danger of an outbreak at any time. The building, he declared, is dangerously located and last night housed 100 prisoners.

Mr. Keating said that when the commission made its inspection the prison had been protected by two uniformed patrolmen, one on duty on Belmont Avenue and the other on Arthur Avenue. He said that the commission then declared it would recommend the appointment of an armed watchman in the event of the removal of the policemen.

The patrolmen have been removed and Police Commissioner McLaughlin has been asked for their reassignment, said Mr. Keating. He added that nothing had been done, and that it was impossible to appoint the watchman pending an appropriation by the Board of Estimate.

MISS HERTLE ENTERS SWIM.

New York Girl Will Take Part in Catalina Race.

New York will have a likely bidder for laurels in the Catalina Island channel race next month in Miss Ethel Hertle of the Women's Swimming Association, holder of the National A. A. U. junior championship at 88 yards, free style. She said yesterday that she has decided to forego her amateur standing in order to take part in the contest.

In speaking of her plans at the W. S. A. yesterday afternoon Miss Hertle said:

"I will leave for Southern California on Monday and join Miss Clarebelle Barrett, my first teacher of swimming, at Long Beach, near Los Angeles. She is there already, and we will complete our training together on the spot.

"Meanwhile I have been practicing daily and I am in better condition than ever. While I have no expectation of holding some of the famous men swimmers entered, I have hopes of making a good showing against the women and of completing the course. That I am determined to do, and as I never have tired in a long swim, nor been affected by cold water, I think my chances are good."

Miss Charlotte Epstein, manager of the Women's Swimming Association competitive teams, thinks highly of Miss Hertle's prospects:

"I never make predictions," she said. "But Ethel is strong and fast and has no end of grit. I think her outlook as good as that of any girl listed as a contender."

White Plains Population 28,602.

Special to The New York Times.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 24.—An informal census taken for The White Plains Reporter, the local daily newspaper, gives the population of this city, the county seat of Westchester, as 28,602, as compared with 28,041 at the beginning of the present year, and 21,030 in 1920.

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The new first grade men are Julius Cohen, Clinton Street Station; William C. Mara, Morrisania Station; Thomas A. Nielsen, Simpson Street Station; William S. Donnelly, Brownsville Station; John J. Notheis of Inspector John D. Coughlin's staff, Maurice Dobson of the Commissioner's office, John W. Spillane, automobile squad; Jerome Murphy, bomb squad; Charles Graham, narcotic squad; Steve Buckley, pickpocket squad, and John Coleman, industrial squad.

The new second grade men are John F. McGuire, Charles Street Station; John O'Neill, Mercer Street Station; Italo Passetti, Fifth Street Station; Frank McKenna and John F. Burke, East Thirty-fifth Street Station; Thomas J. Walsh, West Forty-seventh Street Station; Thomas F. Crane, East Fifty-first Street Station; Thomas P. Hampson, West One Hundredth Street Station; Michael Harris, Bathgate Avenue (Bronx) Station.

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The Commissioner also made John Forst, a patrolman of the Brooklyn Avenue Station, Brooklyn, a detective.

Detective Retired After 25 Years.

Henry Rogge, first grade detective, who has served more than twenty-five years in the Police Department, retired yesterday on a pension of $1,200 a year. He had spent 20 years in the detective division, 18 of them in the pickpocket squad, and had arrested more than 3,000 pickpockets, confidence men and swindlers. He lives at 1,794 West Eleventh Street, Brooklyn and will enter private business.

CITY BREVITIES.

Tau Pi Epsilon held its inaugural dinner yesterday at the Hotel Astor. Among the speakers were Miss Anne Etra, Grand Chancellor; Miss Ester Herowitz, Vice Grand Chancellor, and Julien Greenfield, adviser and Master of Ceremonies.

"Some International Policies and Contributions of the United States," is the subject of a series of lectures which will be delivered at New York University in February and March by Professor J. W. Garner of the University of Illinois, under the James Stokes Lectureship on Politics.

Frieda Hempel, former star of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will sing for the Manhattan Boy Scouts at their court of honor to be held at Town Hall, Saturday evening, Jan. 1. Richard Washburn Child will be the principal speaker.

Dr. G. H. Enelow will preach this morning at Temple Emanu-El, Fifth Avenue and Forty-third Street, on "The Judaism of Jesus."

The fortieth anniversary of the Horace Mann School will be celebrated by a luncheon at the Hotel Astor, Saturday, Jan. 22. "The contribution of the Horace Mann School to Education" will be discussed by Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, who was the first Principal of the school; Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, Mrs. William C. de Mille and Dr. William F. Russell.

ARCHDUKE LEOPOLD COMING

Ex-Royal Prince Once Sold "Hot Dogs" in Vienna for a Living.

By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—Archduke Leopold Ferdinand of Austria will sail from Bremen for America on the President Roosevelt, Jan. 12.

Archduke Leopold Ferdinand of Austria recently returned to Vienna and opened a shop where he sold "hot dogs" as well as a few articles of merchandise to the former subjects of his late uncle, Emperor Francis Joseph. Previously he had appeared as a cabaret performer, making $4 a day, but abandoned the stage when he found it was not lucrative enough for him.

At different times Archduke Leopold had worked as a bank cashier, sleeping car conductor and newspaper reporter. He fell into disfavor when he married an actress, Wilhelmine Adamovic, whom he divorced after she had joined a cult that believed in taking sun baths without any clothes on.

In the World War neither Francis Joseph nor Emperor Charles would permit him to return to Hungary to fight for his native country. In 1907 he married Magdalena Ritter, daughter of Albert Ritter, described as a proprietor of horses.

He is a brother of ex-Crown Princess Louise of Saxony whose escapades as the Countess Montignoso were the gossip of Europe for several years.

F. A. Ready to Manage Park Lane.

Frank A. Ready, who has been identified with the Boomer-du Pont organization, has been made manager of the Park Lane, and will assume his duties next Monday. Mr. Ready started his career twenty years ago with the opening of the Hotel Knickerbocker as package clerk. When Luclus M. Boomer opened the McAlpin in 1913, he engaged Mr. Ready as office manager. He later was made chief assistant manager. When the Hotel Roosevelt opened, he was engaged as chief assistant manager, but after a year returned to the Boomer-du Pont organization and was attached to the executive offices at the Waldorf.

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